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Citizens list their hopes for future in area master plan

By Terry Wright
News Editor

The process of developing a master plan for Grayling Township and the City of Grayling took its first public step on Thursday, May 2.

Approximately 50 citizens took part in the first of three public meetings to help determine a plan for future growth.

The meeting, held in the Grayling Middle School cafeteria, was facilitated by Mark Wyckoff of The Planning and Zoning Center in Lansing. Wyckoff is a professional planner who has been hired to develop the master plan.

Wyckoff referred to projections by three government agencies that show Crawford County growing from its current population of approximately 13,000 residents in 1995, to over 20,000 by the year 2020.

"That doesn't sound like a lot of people," Wyckoff said, "until you add the fact that they will all be living on only 30 percent of the land. The other 70 percent is state and federal land. That puts the population density very high."

Projections from the Michigan Department of Management and Budget show that Crawford County will be in the top five growth counties in the state in the next 25 years. Crawford's neighbors, Otsego and Montmorency, are projected to show the largest growth in the state. Other border counties, including Kalkaska, Oscoda, Ogemaw, Antrim and Roscommon are also expected to experience very high growth.

Wyckoff also gave statistics on the age of Crawford County residents. He said the median age of all county residents, except those from Lovells Township, is currently between 33 and 35. The median age of Lovells Township residents is currently over 58. He said that by 2020 the median age of all county residents will rise considerably.

The purpose of the meeting was to gather information on the proudest and sorriest aspects of the community as seen by the residents. Then the people were asked to write a wish list of what they would like to envision in the community 25 years from now.

"I guarantee that the proudest aspects for some will be the sorriest for others. That's OK," Wyckoff said. "Today we're not going to discuss any of them, we're just going to list them."

The people were separated into groups of six or seven citizens and each group went to work developing their lists. When they were finished, each member of the group listed their individual top three items in each list. Each group then announced their overall top three.

Among the list of the group's proudest aspects of the community were: (not in any ranked order),

- Mercy Hospital,
 - Camp Grayling,
 - airport,
 - city streets,
 - recreation opportunities,
 - friendliness of the people,
 - natural resources,
 - AuSable Marathon canoe race, and
 - Crawford AuSable Schools.
- The list of the community's sorriest included: (not in any ranked order),
- Camp Grayling,
 - airport closing,
 - state and county road conditions,
 - lack of recreation for youths,
 - lack of representation by politicians,
 - selection of downtown businesses,
 - too much state and federal land,
 - few job opportunities, and
 - high food prices due to lack of competition.

Looking 25 years into the future, the group identified a long wish list, including:

- retain the small town feeling,
- a greater community focus on the family and children,

- a community sports complex,
- an active airport,
- less state and federal land,
- good roads,
- a North Down River Road interchange with I-75,
- more and better restaurants,
- a township park,
- better transportation opportunities (air and rail),

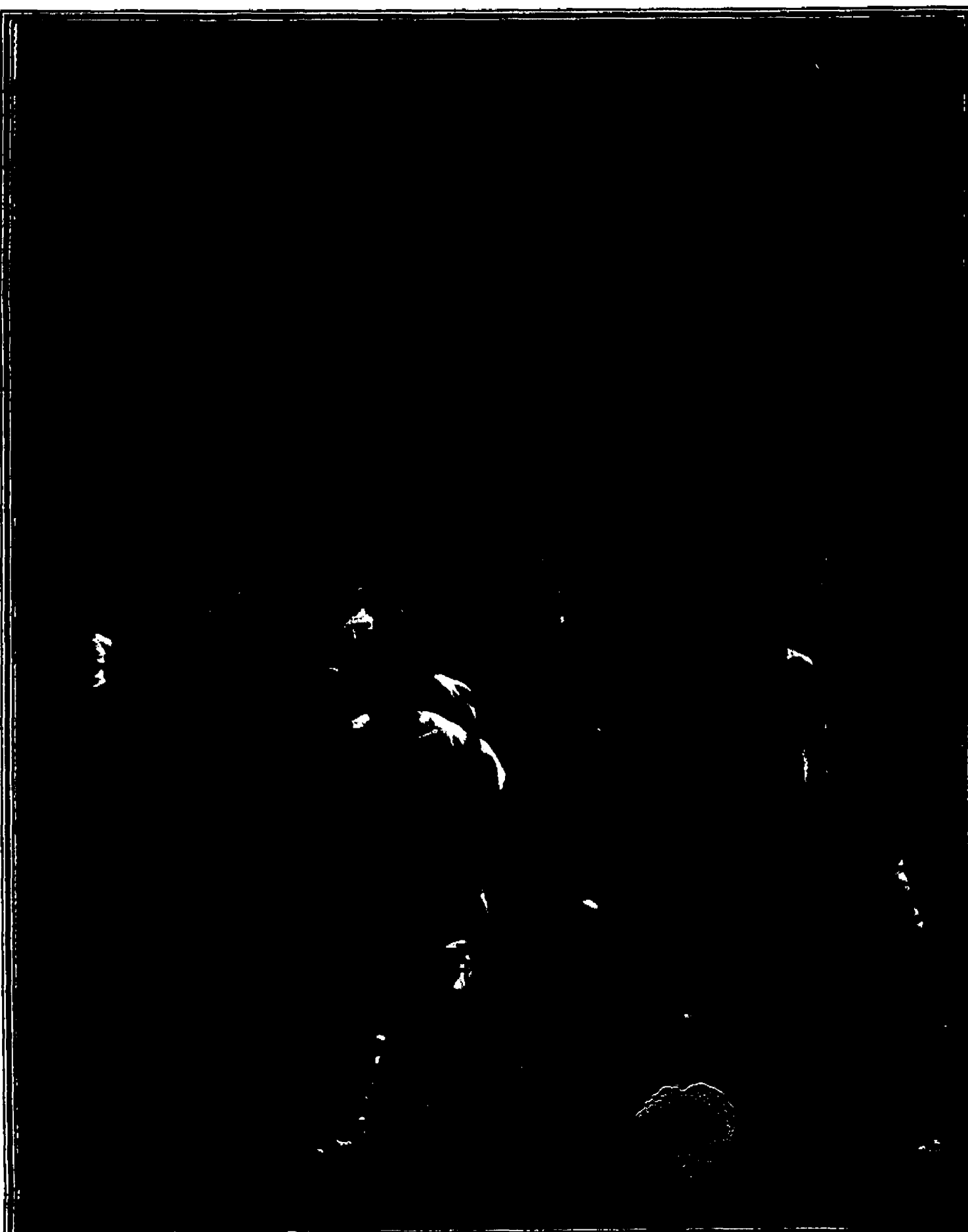
- no clearcutting of forests,
- increased trout populations,
- recycling for all,
- clean industrial development,
- increased community pride and cooperation,
- less poverty,
- bicycle paths,
- improved medical opportunities,
- controlled retail and commercial development,
- high quality senior center,
- higher level of education,
- more taxes from state and federal lands,
- better shopping opportunities,
- become a recreation destination, and
- a community recreation center.

The next step in the master plan process will be to develop a set of goals and objectives from the compiled lists. When that is done, a second public meeting will be held so residents can refine and reshape those goals into the beginning of a comprehensive master plan.

The entire master plan process is expected to take up to a year or more to develop, but when it is finished it will provide a set of guidelines for government officials to follow in shaping future growth and development.

Persons wanting information of the master plan process may contact Grayling City Manager Jerry Morford at 348-2131, or Grayling Township Supervisor Arnold Stancil at 348-4361.

Work, play, have a great day



HANSON HILLS CLEANUP--Sixth grade students from the Grayling Middle School spent their day on Thursday, May 2, at Hanson Hills Recreation Area doing a little community service. One hundred eighty-five students pitched in to clean up the area and were then rewarded with games and a picnic with food donated by Glen's Market and Rochette's IGA. The activity was part of the annual Earth Day celebration.

Baker loses bid for private welcome center on Four Mile Road

Local resident Ron Baker has lost his bid to build a Northern Michigan Welcome Center on the southeast corner of Four Mile Road and I-75.

The 10-acre parcel of state-owned land was sold at a sealed-bid, public auction on Thursday, May 2, by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Baker's bid of \$82,500 fell well short of the winning bid submitted by Charles Fick of Grayling.

Baker had been planning his project for well over a year. He said the DNR led him to believe through the entire planning process that the land would be his to purchase. He wasn't told until recently he would have to bid on it.

"I'm frustrated with the state in that they don't have a specific method of attaining land. I spent a lot of time and money on this," Baker said.

"They never told me outright that I would get it, but that's what they led me to believe. I think the DNR used me to get the master plan process going in Crawford County. I've learned a lot from this."

Baker said the setback won't stop the project altogether.

"I've got to find an alternative location," he said. "It's too good an idea."

Fick said he wasn't sure what he is going to do with the land, but according to the auction notice, Fick will have to obtain approval of a site development plan from Beaver Creek Township and Crawford County by Nov. 1. He is also required to make \$150,000 in site improvements within eight months of the sale closing.

Next county commission will see pay boost

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

Crawford County Commissioners taking office in January 1997, will receive a \$3,600 pay increase, which was approved by the current board of commissioners on Tuesday, April 30.

The increase will make the base pay for Crawford County commissioners the second highest in the area. Many surrounding counties, however, offer unlimited per diem for meetings, which can increase their salaries to well above the Crawford County level.

Crawford County commissioners will be capped at four per diem per month. The two regular monthly board meetings cannot be claimed as per diem. The regular board meetings are included in the base salary.

The increase was approved 5-1, with Robert McLachlan voting no, after a similar motion allowing up to eight per diem meetings failed.

County commissioners receive a per diem of \$32 for a half day, which is defined as three hours or less. The per diem for a full day is \$42. The commissioners will continue to receive the county's fringe-benefits package, including medical insurance for themselves and/or their family or a \$1,400 annuity in lieu of insurance benefits.

Commissioner Kathy Black spearheaded efforts to increase the board's salary. She raised the issue during her commissioner report.

Before improving the salary increase, commissioners discussed the possibility of hiring a full-time county manager.

Commissioner John Hartman said he has been researching the possibility of a county manager or administrator, but that might not be a reality for several years.

It's been a kind of hardship, said Hartman describing his experience with the commissioner's current pay.

"I find myself taking money out of my pocket to do my job."

Commission Chairman Bruce Bretzke said, "I think that our thoughts is not so much for compensation for ourselves, although it's nice."

"We've got to think about the future of our government," said Bretzke. "Kick that payraise up a little bit and we're going to get more interest in this

position, and I think that's only fair."

After the article in the *Crawford County Avalanche* last week, some citizens raised concerns about the commissioners' pay raise. The biggest concern was the lack of checks and balances on the process. One suggested that future salary changes be sent to a salary committee with representatives from each of the town-

ships and city.

Grayling Township and Frederic Township have advisory compensation boards.

A motion to reimburse commissioners 29.5 cents per mile while on county business failed 3-3 with commissioners McLachlan, Robert Smock and Dennis Long voting no.

White named new COA director

The Board of Directors of the Crawford County Commission on Aging (COA), has hired Ken White of Lovells, to be its new COA director.

White comes to the COA with an extensive background in business, most recently as the director of operations of Alamo Rent A Car at Chicago O'Hare Airport. He is a 1970 honor graduate in political science and economics from Michigan State University.

Since settling in Lovells, White has become involved with Habitat for Humanity, as the Steering Committee Chairperson for Crawford County, and Volunteer Coordinator for eight counties in northeast Michigan.

"I came to this job because I wanted to help the community," White said. "One of my goals is to increase the number of activities and the number of people who participate at the COA."

"I'm going to ask what the seniors want. I'm sure they'll tell me. Then we'll see what we can do to accommodate their wishes."

White replaces former COA Director Carol Kolka. When Kolka's contract expired in February, it was not renewed. Shortly after, a new board of directors was installed and Kolka was asked to reapply for the director's position. After screening

60-plus applications, she became a finalist, but the selection went to White.

On Wednesday, May 1, White and Kolka lunched together in the COA dining room.

"Carol has done an excellent job," White said. "She has left the position in good shape."

Kolka said she enjoyed the years she spent as the director. "I want the very best for the seniors and I'm sure Mr. White will do that. I have to let go, but if I can help with anything I really want to. I know that I did the best job that anybody could do. I'm very fortunate to have been able to work here."



CHANGING LEADERSHIP--New COA Director Ken White enjoys coffee with former COA Director Carol Kolka. Kolka has vowed to support White in his new position and in everything that benefits the area seniors.

Roscommon man charged in rape of 13-year-old girl

The suspect in the rape and assault of a 13-year-old Grayling girl was arraigned in 3rd District Court on Tuesday, May 7.

Steven Paul Wells, 37, of Roscommon, was accused on Tuesday, May 4, in Beaver Creek Township.

According to the Crawford County Sheriff's Department, Wells raped the 13-year-old girl at knifepoint before fleeing in a red car. The girl had been riding her bicycle on Stubby Lake Road when she was assaulted.

Officers were able to locate and arrest Wells on a trail road south of Five Mile Road.

Wells is being held in the Crawford County Jail. He was charged with a two count warrant for Criminal Sexual Conduct, first degree. Michigan's Call Center was not Wells bond at \$300,000.

The Crawford County Avalanche will not print the rape victim's name. Information on the case is being suppressed in order to protect the victim.

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Twister season opens in Michigan and in movie theaters

As Michigan moves into the heart of its normal tornado season, moviegoers are awaiting the opening of the latest dramatization of nature's fury—the May 10 nationwide premiere of *Twister*. Film audiences are likely to be left astonished by this depiction of nature's most-violent storm, even as they are entertained by Hollywood's special effects.

The film stars Kathleen Kennedy, Helen Hunt and Bill Paxton as a team of scientists which chases tornadoes in hopes of learning to predict and control them.

However, the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness reminds residents that real tornadoes develop in this state every year. Despite the technological advances

that make detection of dangerous storms easier than in the past, there is no substitute for planning and safety preparedness in the face of the tornado's overwhelming power. Time is critical when severe storms are approaching. Whether at home, school or work, knowing where to go in case of a tornado may save your life.

Tornadoes generally develop from severe thunderstorms, and are more likely to occur when there is unseasonably warm and humid air at the earth's surface and cold and dry air aloft, and strong upper-level jet stream winds. According to the National Weather Service, these conditions are most likely to occur in the spring, although a strong risk continues well into summer.

Since tornadoes develop and move rapidly, Michiganians should familiarize themselves with the various severe weather alerts. A tornado watch simply means "watch out;" severe thunderstorms and tornadoes are possible. Residents should gather a first-aid kit, flashlight, and portable radio, monitor local television and radio, and keep an eye to the sky.

A tornado warning issued for your county means that a tornado is happening now. Go immediately to the basement and take cover under something sturdy. If there is no basement, a bathroom or closet in the lowest, centermost part of the building works best. Remember to stay away from windows.

At work or school (if a basement is

not available), move to an interior hallway on the lowest floor possible. Avoid rooms with a large, free-span roof, like gymnasiums. If caught in a car or in the open when a tornado threatens, seek shelter in a ditch, ravine or other place below ground level and stay as low as possible.

Property owners can also be prepared by ensuring that they have adequate coverage for their home and personal belongings under their homeowners insurance policies. Tornadoes are considered "windstorms" and covered by virtually all homeowners policies, according to insurance industry representatives on the Michigan Committee for Severe Weather Awareness. However, certain limits and requirements may apply.

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Lowe invites public concerns

State Rep. Allen Lowe, R-Grayling, has scheduled office hours with Crawford County residents on Friday, May 10.

The 105th District lawmaker will be available from 1-2 p.m. at the Crawford County Courthouse in Grayling.

"No appointment is necessary and everyone should feel free to stop by," Lowe said. "I am eager to listen to the concerns of local residents."

Anyone needing additional information can contact Lowe at (517) 373-0829.

Jail open house set for May 15

Sheriff David Lovely will be hosting a law enforcement Memorial Day ceremony to memorialize police officers on Wednesday, May 15, at 12 noon.

After the ceremony, a dedication and open house of the new jail and office renovations will be held until 8 p.m.



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Grayling High School to host Senior Honors Night

Grayling High School will host its annual Senior Honors Night on Thursday, May 16, at 7:30 p.m., in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

The program is being sponsored in the evening to give parents, relatives, friends and the community the opportunity to share in the honors being bestowed upon the senior graduates. It is felt that this is only fitting because the community deserves much of the credit for this achievement. The quality of family life, support and concern provided has contributed significantly

toward the academic achievement and honors that these seniors will receive.

A large portion of the 1996 graduating class will be recognized for their academic achievements through state and local college scholarships, citizenship awards and a number of other categories.

The high school administration and faculty cordially invite all parents, relatives, friends and the community to support the honored seniors and the education system by sharing these special moments of honor.

Great Strides, 10K walk to cure CF set for May 18



Courtney Welch

Great Strides is a walk to cure Cystic Fibrosis (CF).

CF is the number one genetic killer of children and young adults in America. Currently there is no cure for CF, but several new clinical approaches to treating CF that are very promising.

Great Strides is an event the whole family can participate in.

On Saturday, May 18, at 11 a.m., walkers will begin the 10K (6.2 mile) walk at Grayling High School.

For obtain a pledge form, or for more information, persons may contact Angie Welch at 348-6289.

Charlie's Country Corner marks grand opening

A high-tech travel center located on I-75 at Four Mile Road, just south of Grayling, will officially celebrate a grand opening May 9, 10 and 11.

Charlie's Country Corner, which actually opened in June of last year, is a full-service travel center spread over eight and a half acres.

During the grand opening, special gas and diesel prices will be featured, plus lots of prizes, special deals and giveaways. And for truckers only, there will be full service on May 9 and 10 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. Twenty-eight thousand vehicles a day roll past exit 251, including many truckers, and the center caters to them. There is a trucker's lounge, showers, accessories, and RV pump out station, plus a convenience store and deli.

Charlie's Country Corner was the brain child of Charles Fick, who runs Fick and Sons in Grayling, a sprawling fuel-distribution service. Next to the

travel center is a Super 8 Motel, which Fick built three years ago. The motel is ranked 22nd among the 1,300 Super 8 franchises by their inspection teams. A treat for guests are the deer seen out their windows. They are attracted by the 100 pounds of shelled corn, sugar beets and hay Fick puts out each day.

Behind the gas pumps and service center is modern technology. Fick installed two water systems, put in 50 phone lines, and made every major system redundant. Fuel records are kept up to date by readout equipment which monitors the amount and content of the 24 fuel tanks, automatically faxing a status report to the main office each morning at 7 a.m.

Manager Kay Laughton is in charge of all the details of the complex travel center, and after a busy winter is looking forward to the excitement of an official grand opening.

VFW to sell Buddy Poppies

May 8-10, VFW Carl W. Borchers Post 3736 and Auxiliary will be selling "Buddy Poppies" in Grayling Glen's, Kmart, post office, court house and many other locations.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States was the first veteran organization to promote a nationally-organized campaign for the annual distribution of poppies assembled by disabled and needy veterans. The VFW conducted a poppy sale prior to Memorial Day, 1922, using only poppies that were made in France. In the 1923 poppy sale, due to the difficulty and delay in getting poppies from France, the VFW made use of a surplus of French poppies that were on hand and the balance were artificial flowers.

It was during the 1923 campaign, that the VFW evolved the idea which resulted in the "VFW Buddy Poppy"—fashioned by disabled and needy veterans who were paid for their work, as a practical means of providing assistance for these comrades. In February 1924, the VFW registered

the name "Buddy Poppy" within the United States Patent Office and a certificate was issued on May 20, 1924, granting the VFW all trademark rights in the name of "Buddy" under the classification of artificial flowers. The VFW has made that trademark a guarantee that all poppies bearing that name and the VFW label are genuine products of the work of disabled and needy veterans.

Today, VFW Buddy Poppies are assembled by disabled, needy and aging veterans in VA hospitals and domiciliarys across the country. The majority of proceeds raised through the sale of Buddy Poppies are used exclusively for aid to veterans and their dependents. Buddy Poppy proceeds represent no profit to any VFW unit. Proceeds are placed in the relief fund and used to support Veterans' Rehabilitation Services; the VFW National Home at Eaton Rapids, and assistance to needy veterans and their families. Everyone is encouraged to support the veterans in this worthy campaign.

Great State Plate Challenge entry forms available

Secretary of State Candice S. Miller is reminding Michigan residents that official entry forms for the Great State Plate Challenge are available in all Michigan Farmer Jack, Kmart and Spartan stores today.

The challenge, which is open to all Michigan residents, is sponsored by the three Michigan-based companies along with the Michigan Travel Bureau and the Secretary of State's office.

Entry forms may also be obtained by sending a self-addressed envelope to: Great State Plate Challenge, Michigan Department of State,

Lansing, MI 48918-1195. Entry forms may not be obtained at Secretary of State branch offices.

Entries must be submitted on an official entry form. Designs submitted at random to the Secretary of State's office prior to May must be re-submitted on an official entry form.

All completed entries must be returned to the address listed on the entry form. Secretary of State branch offices, Farmer Jack, Kmart and Spartan stores cannot accept completed entry forms.

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Crawford-Roscommon Child Protection Council supports River House

The Crawford-Roscommon Child Protection Council awarded a \$750 grant to River House Shelter to support its infant-toddler program.

"With these funds, we can provide quality and consistent child care to our young victims," said the River House Director Ferne Farber.

Child care is provided when mothers attend support groups or come into the shelter for individual counseling sessions. In addition to direct child care, activities are planned to help

these very young children learn healthy non-violent ways to interact.

River House, which serves victims of domestic violence from the counties of Crawford, Ogemaw, Roscommon and Oscoda, serves approximately 200 children each year. Support groups are offered in all four counties.

To access River House services, call collect 24 hours per day (517) 348-8972 (crisis line). For further information, call the business office at (517) 348-3169.

Business After Hours planned

On Thursday, May 16, the monthly Business After Hours will be held at the Red Barn, at 5:30 p.m. Cost will be \$3.50 at the door.

Sponsored by the American Business Women's Association (ABWA), in conjunction with the chamber of commerce, festivities will include the recognition of the Boss of the Year and the Woman of the Year.

The ABWA appreciate all of the businesses and individuals who have supported their projects in the community.

ABWA is pleased to announce more scholarship monies will be awarded to local students than ever before, this year, thanks to the spirit of cooperation in the business community of Crawford County.

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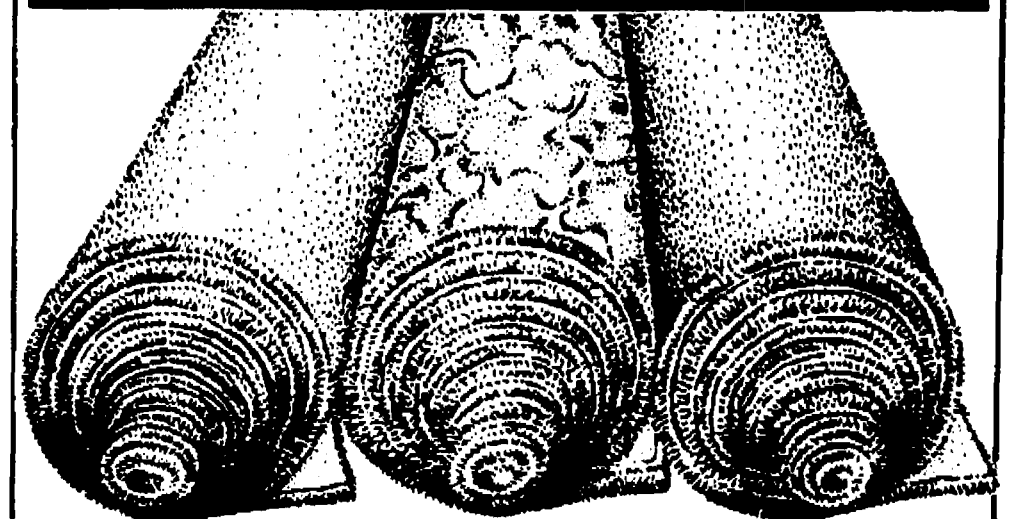
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ISSUES AND OPINIONS



ALMANACK By Richard Milliman

Have all the flowers gone?

MAY DAY 1996 has come and gone with not too many ripples.

In many parts of the world, May 1 is considered a workers holiday, which the communists in their hey day misappropriated for purposes of military propaganda.

This year, most demonstrations were socio-economic, political or even cultural in nature, and generally peaceful.

It was not always this way.

Not too many years ago, May 1 featured massive shows of armed strength by Russia and other communist countries.

Tanks and troops paraded into Red Square, with fighter planes and bombers swooshing overhead.

The communist leader of that particular year, flanked by generals and admirals and other military big shots, would smile and wave and receive respectful salutes from the

passing cavalcade.

But not this year. Hopefully, those days are gone forever...although with the communist candidate running strong in the ongoing Russian election, you never can be too sure.

These may well be the good old days we'll recall with nostalgia in the future.

MAINLY IN response to the gaudy military display of years past, a more peaceful American society developed Law Day for May 1.

Instead of glorifying the military way of life, Law Day features life in a civilized society, governed by laws instead of arms.

Attorneys and judges write articles, give speeches, visit schools and otherwise manifest the superiority of rights over guns...of the rule of law over the rule of weapons.

It is a good substitution.

In 1955, May 1 was proclaimed by Pope Pius XII as the Catholic feast day of St. Joseph the Worker.

In its ideology, communism is supposed to glorify working men and women, not soldiers, and the Pope's action was in part a stroke of one-upmanship. Good for him.

MAY DAY means something else, too.

At a certain chronological age, we are allowed to think back on the good old days, and even reminisce out loud. I have reached that age.

I lived my formative years in a semi-rural area on the outskirts of a small Michigan town.

As a child, May 1 meant flowers.

We would traipse over to the nearby woods, across a couple of fields and over a small creek, which probably was no more than a drain, but which

seemed larger in those days. The woods seemed further away than they really were, too.

There we gathered wild flowers, violets mostly, but once in a while we'd find a jack-in-the-pulpit or other random spring bloom.

Back home, around the kitchen table, we would form a small flower basket from odd rolls of wallpaper; there usually was wallpaper around somewhere, left over from a home-made re-decorating project.

Our adhesive agent was flour paste, to hold together the bowl of the basket, and secure the looping handle on the small wallpaper baskets.

Then we took the baskets filled with our wildflowers and left them anonymously at the doors of all our neighbors—that is, the three or four houses within reasonable walking distance.

Neighbor kids left baskets at our house, too.

It was a fun, creative, kind thing to do, and it's what I think of when I think of May Day.

LIFE GOES ON, of course, and time passes.

The communist military parades are gone, at least this year and hopefully for good.

Law Day endures, still signifying the superiority of the rule of law over the rule of might.

May Day still invites demonstrations for social and political messages, but that's not all bad as long as they don't get out of hand.

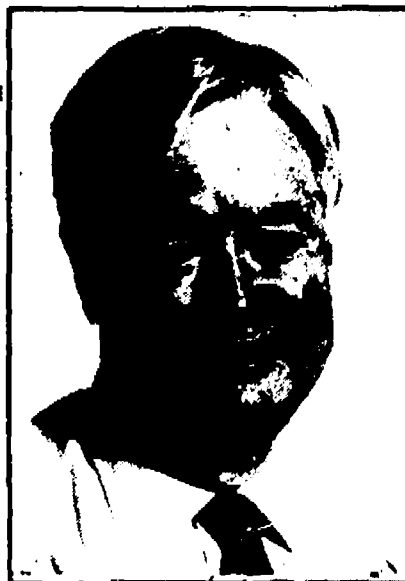
I haven't heard of the May Day flower tradition in a long time, and I wonder if it's still done somewhere the way we used to do.

The last time I visited the area where as kids we gathered flowers, a large trailer park occupied all the once open space between our old house and the woods.

The creek had disappeared, as if it had never existed, and the woods were much smaller and thinner than I remembered them as a child, a victim at least in part of suburban progress.

And I always wonder if the flowers have gone, too.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.



takes such a proprietary interest in my clothes. It's a price I gladly pay, rather than go shopping without her. I'm depressed by most men's stores, which offer all the verve and excitement of a funeral parlor. If left to make my own decisions, I buy the first thing the salesman shows me, just to get out of the place before they say the rosary.

And when I get home, she never likes what I bought. It's much easier to take her along to approve all purchases large enough to require my body for fitting, and then let her choose the tie-shirt accessories while I wait in the nearest saloon.

The only drawback is she takes it personally when her selections don't get rave reviews from my peers. And she rejects my theory that men are simply different from women and don't gush over each other's lapels. She thinks that explanation makes me a macho, anti-feminist slug.

I want her to continue choosing my new clothes, and I'm afraid she'll quit if some guy doesn't say my shirt is adorable. It is a conundrum. A conundrum is the problem faced by a man who dresses for dinner, but can't find his spats and his warm milk is getting cold.

JIM FITZGERALD

An adorable shirt? A man'll never say so

My favorite newspaper recently reported that, due to the lousy economy, the Richmond Brothers Co., "a century-old retailing chain," will close its 260 men's clothing stores.

And I was ruefully reminded that it wasn't quite 100 years ago that I bought my all-time favorite suit at a Detroit Richmond store. But it was so long ago that it never occurred to me that anyone should tell me how nice I looked in my new suit.

It was shortly after the end of World War II, and my first chance in more than two years to wear something not olive drab. I paid around \$20 for a light bluish, glen plaid, double-breasted suit with a left lapel as long as my arms. I thought I looked smashing in it, but after I wore it to my first newspaper job, no one asked me this now-familiar question:

"Did anyone at work tell you that you looked nice today?"

That's because I wasn't married then. But I soon was, and I've long since grown used to my wife asking whether anyone praised a new outfit the first time I wore it in public. And my answer is always the same:

In my various workplaces, the women often told each other they looked nice, even when they were wearing overalls and spike-heeled shoes.

Occasionally, a woman might admit a man didn't look as slobby as usual. But no man ever admired another man's clothing out loud.

Foolproof advertising

This is a phenomenon I've studied

for many years. My conclusion is that one of the differences between males and females is that women are always saying, "I just adore that blouse" to each other, but no man has ever told another man his shirt is adorable.

This conclusion angers my wife. "You are saying women are more vain than men, and that's just another male chauvinist myth," she says. "Everyone knows men look in the mirror just as much as women do, and they spend more money in barbershops than women spend in beauty shops."

This type of anti-chauvinist argument irks me, not because it's specious, but because it's irrelevant. I don't claim men are less vain. I simply claim men don't tell each other they look nice, but women do.

I don't know why this is true, any more than I know why it's now fashionable for women to wear high heels with long or short pants. It used to be that only the dumbest women in town did that. I remember my daughters covertly pointing at these unstylish women in the supermarket and giggling. I remember when this type of costume was a foolproof way for prostitutes to advertise their profession.

But today, grandmothers go to church in Levis and high heels. I say this is the same as a man wearing spats with tennis shorts. Sometimes I say this to people who don't know what spats are, which sends me back to the rest home in search of warm milk.

The easier route

Anyway, I don't mind that my wife

Correction

The salary for Beaver Creek Township's elected officials was incorrect in the Crawford County Avalanche's May 2nd edition. The salary printed was based on 13, four-week months. The Avalanche apologizes for any inconvenience this must have caused.

The Beaver Creek Twp. supervisor salary is \$7,440. The Beaver Creek Township clerk and treasurer positions each pay a salary of \$15,840. The salary stated for trustees was correct. Trustees receive \$85 per meeting.



MICHIGAN WEEK
MAY 18-27, 1996

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Writer says landfill tactic was laughable

To the editor,
Last week, on page one, you reported the proposed settlement of the 22 million dollar lawsuit against our county by a Detroit corporation, most recently known as "City Environmental Services of Waters." Prior to attending that "special" county meeting, economists and accountants that reviewed the lawsuit set their estimates at 26- to 36-million dollar impact to our residents. This is a huge burden to our small population.

I also shared documentation at one of this county's rare night-time meetings, that an Illinois county expects to receive 20 to 30 million for hosting a landfill over the next 20 years. I don't know if this information was completely ignored or not; but one commissioner, who now says that as of "three months ago" he no longer has a conflict of interest with this private Detroit company, pushed my Illinois documentation onto the floor. He was observed doing this at a public meeting.

Your paper reported that the commissioners voted to accept an out-of-court settlement noting many of the

odd terms in it. For me, however, the greatest irony was that the commissioners did not give the proposal any public hearing. They, themselves appeared unfamiliar with the written settlement, and even needed help from the lawyer to mouth wording of the motion. Those attending the meeting could have spent their time elsewhere, because public input, review and participation were all denied, until after the commissioners voted to approve this settlement.

The "worked-all-winter" efforts were done entirely in closed meetings. The open meeting statutes permits such meetings to be closed to the public to discuss "legal strategy" only. But more importantly, only if meeting in open session would have a negative affect on that strategy.

Considering who was in those closed secret government meetings make the whole tactic laughable (if one can't cry). You don't have to be in the newspaper business to know that open government is good and that secret government is bad.

Joseph Callewaert,
Grayling Twp.

Meeting announced on oil and gas regulations

To the editor,
Attention area property owners. There will be a public hearing on May 9, 1996, at Treetops Sylvan Resort regarding proposed rules and regulations of the gas and oil industry. The times are from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. I would encourage any and all of you who have any interest in this subject to attend. Now is the time that our voices may be heard.

In Albert Township, we have an ordinance regulating noise levels of the gas processing facilities (50 decibels at 450') and the placement of these facilities no less than 450' from water and/or residential housing. These new proposed rules allow placement to be no less than 300' and that an acceptable noise level may be 45 decibels at 1,320'.

Albert Township's ordinance has

been a model ordinance for many northern Michigan communities and it has been proven that this industry can meet these standards without much extra burden placed on them.

This industry is basically trying to regulate themselves. Is this what we want for our area? Please plan to attend this hearing and let our voices be heard. We need to stand up and let them know that we will not tolerate them coming into our communities and place these facilities anywhere they want with no regard for the disruption they place on our lives. If we do not fight them now, we may not get the chance again before it is too late.

We cannot afford to let them have their way. Now is the time to speak up.
Marcia K. Bolser,
Lewiston

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Student asks about STAND grant

To the editor,
As a high school student, I am involved in quite a few school activities. I have my grades to keep up, I am in student council, and I was in STAND (Students Taking Action Not Drugs). This causes a lot of stress, especially with graduation around the corner. It does not sound like I could stand much more, but I found something that caused my current level of stress to rise to an even higher level.

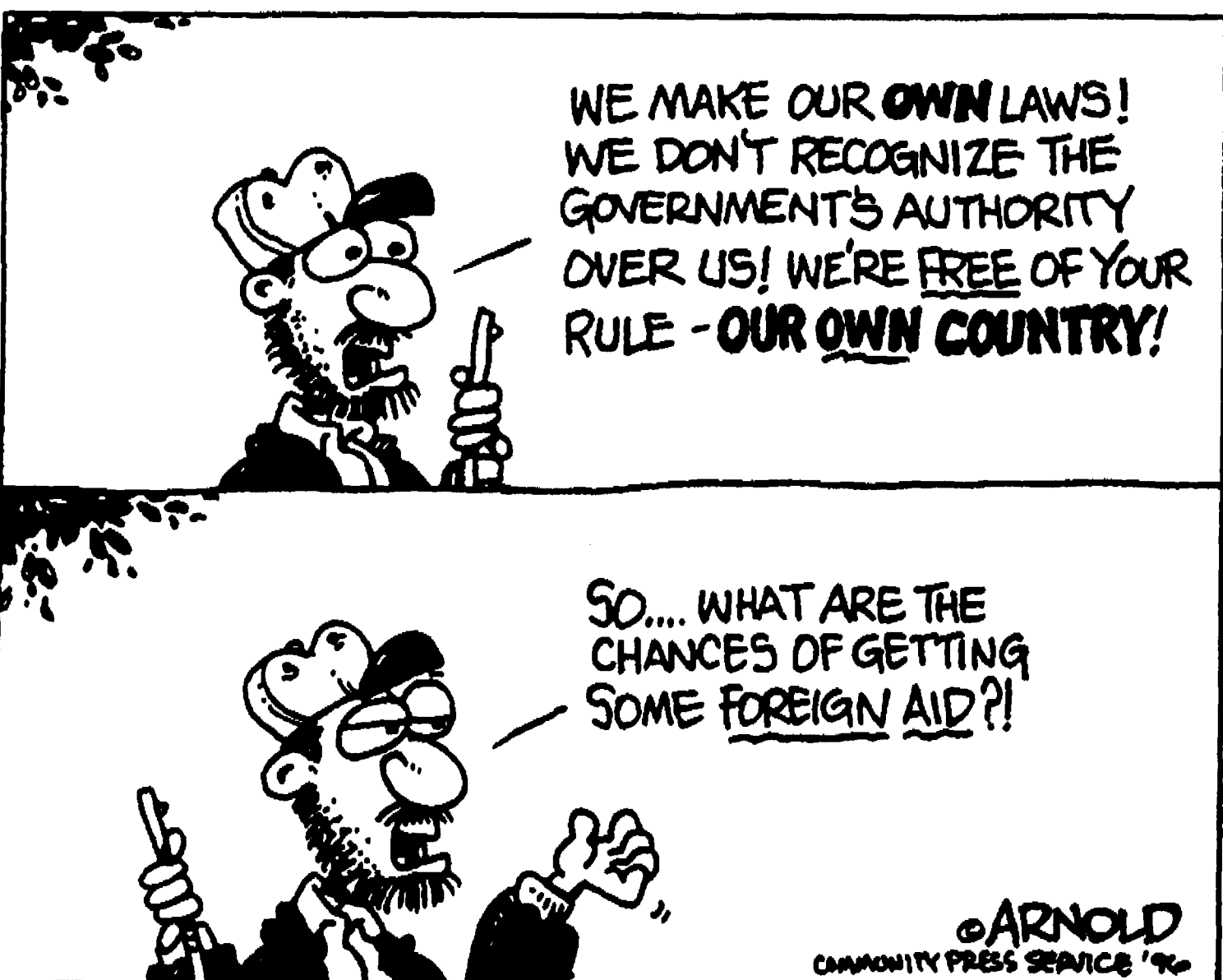
Like I had mentioned earlier, I was a member of STAND, along with roughly 100 other students. Clyde Holzbauer did a great job in keeping STAND alive, but unfortunately he had to leave. The group was without an advisor or money all this year, making the group dormant. I just found out that Clyde had written a grant to the state before he had left, to help

STAND do what we had planned.

STAND was set up to spread the word about drugs and their effects to students. No school can get too much education on drug abuse. And what better way to do it than with a bunch of high school role models showing the young children what is right and wrong.

Back to the point, this grant that Clyde had wrote went through, and STAND was awarded a grant of a large sum. I would like to know where the money went so we can have our two new advisors take over. These advisors are willing and full of good ideas, but due to scheduling conflicts and funding problems, they cannot help STAND much. Where is this mystery money? STAND could put it to good use if given a chance.

Adam Anderson,
Grayling High School student



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Minimum wage--to raise or not to raise

By Bryan Eder
Capital News Service

An increase in the minimum wage would give a raise to an estimated 397,000 Michigan workers. Outraged Michigan businessmen attack the legislation as unwarranted, unfair, unrealistic and unwelcome.

"Looking at government giving a raise to the least-skilled, least-experienced workers, that's a slap in the face," said Charles Owens, state director of the National Federation of Independent Businesses. "They haven't developed skills to warrant a higher wage."

History has proven the shortcomings of the minimum wage, said Joe Lehman in Midland. "If it can improve the standard of living, why not make it \$50 an hour?"

Polls indicate more than 70 percent of Americans favor a minimum-wage increase. This has led politicians on Capitol Hill to debate a 90-cent jump from \$4.25 to \$5.15 an hour.

All congressional Democrats support this increase, which would be the first since April 1991. With backing from a handful of Republicans, the bill is expected to pass—if it ever reaches a vote.

Democrats continue to push for a vote on the increase, having attached their proposal to numerous pieces of legislation. So far, House Speaker Newt Gingrich and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole have denied it consideration in both houses.

Sen. Carl Levin, D-Michigan, one of the bill's biggest proponents, said the legislation is vital because it targets the working poor, specifically family bread-winners.

"Somebody who earns minimum wage is now making only \$8,000 a year," he said. "They have fallen far beyond the poverty level. These people are working full time to support a family. Can you do that on \$4.25 an hour?"

Although well-intentioned, the increase won't work, said Kalmin Smith, acting director of the state

Department of Labor. "Minimum-wage laws can't help anyone," he said. "They can be destructive."

As part of the government's New Deal programs, President Franklin D. Roosevelt first introduced the minimum wage during the Great Depression.

"Why did they do this in 1935?" asked Peter Dorman, a professor of labor market theory at Michigan State University's James Madison College.

"They thought there'd be more jobs in this country if there was more demand for goods and services."

"A lot of wages are tied to the minimum wage," he said. "An increase will lift up the low end of the labor market."

People earning above the current minimum wage will likely rise above the new minimum, he said.

As debate heats up, many businessmen and economists predict doom to the economy and low-wage workers, the intended beneficiaries of such legislation.

Their main points of contention involve:

- Loss of low-wage jobs through automation and cost cutting.
- Business relocation to Mexico for cheap labor. And;
- Inflation, which decreases demand for American products.

With an increase in the minimum wage, employees would have to produce more to offset increased labor costs, said Rob Stickette, vice president of operations at Stickette's Department Store. "As a heavy user of entry-level wage employees, the payroll dollar would carve out a bigger piece of the pie."

Barry Cargill, vice president of government relations for the Small Business Association of Michigan (SBAM) said, "Businesses will have to bring in machines, ask workers to do more, or go out of business."

"The purpose of business is to make

profits," he said, even if that includes cutting jobs.

"It's simple economics," Lehman said. "An employer is only going to keep a person hired if that person produces more value than he pays him."

One way to boost employee productivity is through training, which can be a costly investment.

Factoring in training costs, the wage of entry-level employees already exceeds their productivity, Owens said. "A minimum-wage increase will essentially saw off the bottom of the ladder and make it more difficult for entry-level workers to learn skills."

"It's an ironic situation," Smith said. "There's a large number of people earning small amounts of money because they are not productive. But we have thousands of jobs open at high-paying wages."

Most businesses pay higher than \$4.25, said Paul Muller, owner of Muller Shoe Store. In fact, Muller pays his employees more than the proposed minimum of \$5.15.

He doesn't foresee any major effects from an increase in the minimum wage. And, he added, "If somebody wants to try and do business with \$4.25-an-hour people, they can go ahead and try. But there aren't many people willing to work for that."

Almost 11.5 million Americans currently work for minimum wage, according to the U.S. Department of Labor. Two-thirds of those workers are over 20 years old, while two-fifths are sole family bread-winners.

"As low as the minimum wage is, I can't see how anyone wouldn't be able to pay that," said Chuck Hayes, business manager for AFL-CIO Local 1165 in Grand Rapids.

At 90 cents, Cargill calls the increase, "marginal." His objection is mostly philosophical. He believes market forces, not the government, should regulate the economy.

With nationwide unemployment

rates below 6 percent, laborers have found a friendly job market. Help-wanted signs are not uncommon and many fast-food restaurants are offering more than \$6 dollars an hour to prospective employees.

This is evidence that the economy regulates itself, Smith said. "If (legislators) are only going to raise the minimum wage to an amount lower than businesses are already paying, that means their motives are more political than economic."

"Minimum wage definitely serves a purpose," said Mari Pulver of the SBAM. "But with government entities looking out for workers, it has become less important."

Charlie Bylsma, president of Grand Rapids Independent Union, disagrees: "We have decent labor laws, but there's no enforcement."

Laborers deserve a "living wage," Bylsma said. A benefit package that includes health insurance and a pension plan would be nice too, he added.

Before legislators adopt these worker-friendly measures, the concepts are usually filtered through think tanks, economists and public policy consultants.

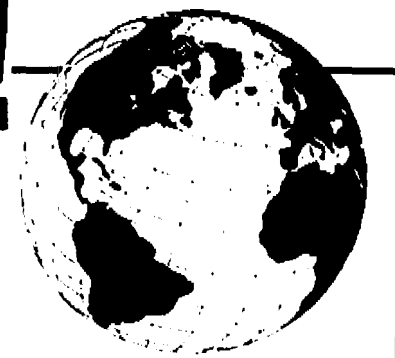
Dorman said their studies often yield conflicting data. Minimum wage is no exception.

To put the increase in perspective, Dorman said, "Even if the pessimists are correct and their worst fears are realized, you would expect a 2 percent decline in low-wage jobs."

That would translate into about 8,000 Michigan job losses and 220,000 nationally.

"The effects will be minimal," he said—for better or for worse.

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HONORS LIST

Spring Arbor College is pleased to announce that Jonathan Renaud was recently named to the academic honors list. This list is published twice each year and recognizes students who have earned a grade-point average of 3.5 or above (on a 4.0 scale).

Renaud is the son of Robert and Nancy McLachlan of Grayling.

HONORS LIST

Approximately 1,900 graduates were honored in two commencement ceremonies at Eastern Michigan University (EMU) on Sunday, April 28, in EMU's Bowen Field House.

Of the graduates, approximately 1,330 were bachelor's-degree recipients, and 540 received advanced degrees.

Among the graduates is Tim Lampe of Grayling.

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At Mercy Health Services North

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Thursday, May 9
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Free Blood Pressure Clinic and Blood Sugar Clinic

Monday, May 13
3 to 6:30 pm - Main Lobby

Heartsaver CPR Class

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6 to 10 pm - Riverside Room

Stroke Support Group

Tuesday, May 14 • 6:30 pm - Private Dining Room
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Happy Mother's Day!

THURS 9	•ELECTIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE hearing to help determine how elections are conducted in MI, 1 pm @ courthouse. •14TH ANNUAL board of education recognition night @ auditorium, 7 pm. •MINIMAL FEE blood pressure and blood sugar screens, 11 am - 12 noon @ COA. •TOPS MEETING @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. Call Linda @ 275-9918 for more information.
FRI. 10	•2ND SEMESTER ADULT ED ENDS. •SB/BB VS. ROGERS CITY, home, 4:15 pm. •JV/SB/BB VS. LAKE CITY, away, 4:30 pm. •ADULT ED SENIOR PROM @ high school, 8 pm - midnight.
SAT. 11	•KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE presents "Anna Maria Alberghetti", 8 pm. For ticket information call (517) 275-6777. •"KITE DAY" @ Hanson Hills, 1-3 pm, refreshments served, children 14 & under will receive a kite and string free!
SUN. 12	•ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today. •BICYCLE SAFETY WEEK. •HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! •MOTHER'S DAY VIDEO presentation "Will the real me please stand up" with Lee Ezell, 7 pm @ Grayling Assembly of God Church. Complimentary child care available.
MON. 13	•GRAYLING CITY COUNCIL MEETING. •SB/BB VS. E. JORDAN, away, 4:30 pm. •JV/SB/BB VS. E. JORDAN, home, 4:30 pm. •ANNUAL DISTRICT report to the board of education night @ MS cafeteria, 6-10 pm. •KIWANIS LUNCHEON MEETING @ 12:10 pm, Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel. •WELCOME WAGON NEWCOMERS meeting @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 6 pm. Call Betty @ 348-8562 for more information. •VIDEO PRESENTATION "Will the real me please stand up" with Lee Ezell, 7 pm @ Grayling Assembly of God Church. Complimentary child care available.
TUES. 14	•CRAWFORD COUNTY RESOURCE COUNCIL meeting @ Mercy Hospital private dining room, 12 noon - 1:30 pm. New members welcome. •HS BAND CONCERT & fine arts awards @ auditorium, 7 pm. •NEW BEGINNINGS Stomach Stapling Support Group @ Mercy Hospital private dining room, 7 pm. •GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ noon, Iron Gate Restaurant. •GRAYLING UPTOWN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION meeting @ 8 am, chamber office. •AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY meeting @ Grayling State Bank, 1 pm. •CORE (Court Order Reform & Equity) meeting @ Beaver Creek Recreation Center, 7 pm. Call 348-9708 for more information. •COA presents "Relaxed Backs" by Kelly & George Cooper, 5:30 pm.
WED. 15	•ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHERS meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 W., weigh-in 4:45; meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Sandy @ 348-5321. •COA BOARD MEETING Senior Citizen Center, 5:30 pm. •GRAYLING RECREATION AUTHORITY meeting @ Hanson Hills, 5 pm. •LIONS CLUB meeting @ Bracker's Steak House, 6:30 pm.

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The Bible Speaks

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Unabomber

A year ago, liberals were branding all conservatives with the growing violence and terrorism in America? Then the Unabomber suspect turned out to be an elite, liberal, hero who "happened" to turn violent. Kaczynski remains a closet hero to many liberals.

The April 10, 1996 issue of *U.S.A. Today* under "Counterpoints" allowed conservative Linda Chavez to raise some facts. Chavez said Kaczynski's name reportedly appears in FBI files on Earth First. Dave Foreman, a leader of Earth First, once published a how-to manual giving "detailed, field-tested" instructions for making explosives for ecoterrorism. Foreman pleaded guilty to a felony conspiracy charge after a group of Earth Firsters sabotaged a power plant in Arizona in 1989. (Foreman is also a former lobbyist with Wilderness Society and presently serves on the board of directors at the Sierra Club.) Chavez quotes a speech by Foreman in 1983, at an Earth First meeting in which he

said, "The blood of timber executives is my natural drink, and the wail of dying forest supervisors is music to my ears. Kaczynski joins the past heroes of this group who placed spikes in trees and on roads to injure loggers and road crews in wilderness areas."

By showing a common hit list with the radical environmental groups, Chavez appeared to tie Kaczynski with these radical groups. Chavez cited the hit lists in *Live Wild or Die*, a publication of Earth First. Chavez also raised questions about linking bombs mailed to a pediatric specialist at Boston's Children's Hospital and a professor of pediatrics at the University of California with an article by "Miss Ann Thropy" in Earth First's Newsletter suggesting the solving of earth's population problems by dismantling the technology of medical science that saves the lives of sick children. (Sic)

These radical environmentalists seem to share with Dr. Warren Hern, a common hatred for civilized man: Hern said, "Man is a particular form of

virulent disease. The Earth has a skin disease, a case of microbes infecting its crust and that disease is man." (Hern, the abortionist, appears consistent in his hatred by killing even late-term babies.)

Man's freedom under God is under attack by rabid environmentalists, so that all life and death issues on earth may be decided not by God, but by a ruling humanist elite. "It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man." (Psalm 118:8) "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth." (Genesis 1:26)

Pastor "B"

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SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: If you are too busy to feel miserable, you will be happy.

Announcing the special Mother's Day Dinner on Thursday, May 9, at 5:30 p.m. The main entrée will be rock cornish hens. Come and help them celebrate.

Senior commodities will be distributed on Wednesday, May 8, at Breaker's Steak House, from 12:30 until 2 p.m. only.

Card parties on Tuesdays from 1 to 4 p.m., and play bridge, euchre, pinocle, etc. (They have three bridge tables and are hoping for a fourth table).

Wednesday Happy Birthday dinner; Friday—Director Ken White will be at the Frederic Satellite.

Fridays—Coffee Klatsch at 10 a.m. All seniors are invited to attend. Sit and chat with your friends and neighbors and get a chance to find out what the folks think about anything that is on their mind. It's fun and informative, too!

Come and eat at the center. The meals are tasty, well balanced, and it is really the best deal in town! \$1.50 donation for seniors, and the charge for those under 60 is \$3. Feel free to

come anytime—brand new policy: no reservations. Meals are served at 12 noon and 5 p.m. Monday thru Thursday, and 12 noon only on Fridays. Menus are subject to change without notice.

Lunch/Dinner

May 8—Swiss Steak/Hawaiian Ham;
May 9—Turkey & Dressing/Rock Cornish Hens;
May 10—BBQ Chicken/No Dinner;
May 13—Maryland Chicken/No Dinner;
May 14—Hamburg & Cheesennoodles/Brown Steak.

Senior citizens present fourth Milltown Follies

On May 17 and 18, the senior citizens from a four-county area will be presenting the fourth edition of the Grayling Milltown Follies at the Grayling High School auditorium.

The show begins at 8 p.m. and tickets will be available at the door. Price of admission is \$6.

OBITUARIES

Memorial service for Phyllis Thompson

A memorial service for Phyllis J. Thompson will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 11, at the American Legion Post 106 in Grayling.

Card of thanks

I want to thank all of my friends and relatives who helped celebrate my 95th birthday, April 28, at the Commission on Aging building. A special thanks to Margaret Hayes who made all the arrangements.

Thanks again,
Agnes Nelson

Church Directory

Mother's Day Again...



...and time for us to tell our Mother all the things we didn't tell her during the past year.

Things like "Thank you," "I love you," and "Here, mom, let me help you." For those of us who are blessed with a close Mother-Child relationship, this day will give us a chance to say, in a very special way, the things we should have said by our words and actions all year long.

Those who are not blessed with this close relationship, should try to accomplish, in this one brief day, all the things they didn't do in the other 364. Sometimes we try so hard that we may seem insincere. But on this Mother's Day, make a conscious effort to repair all the neglect and broken relationships that may exist. Certainly, you may not be able to erase all bitterness and alienation in one day, but you can make a start. And once you start, continue to mend the fences on a daily basis. Then next year, when it's Mother's Day again, you can both celebrate the joy of having each other.

You can both honestly say, "I love you."

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Romans 8:1-17	Romans 8:18-30	Romans 8:31-39	Romans 15:14-33	Acts 1:1-11	Acts 1:12-26	Ephesians 4:1-16

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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Joe and Ilene Rynties of Kalkaska, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Anissa Ann Demetroff, to Mr. Mark Edwin Easterle, son of Paul and Judy Easterle of Pontiac. A June Wedding is planned. Photo by Mark Easterle. This engagement announcement was reprinted due to an error in last week's publication.

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Lions Lucky 13 winner named

Steve Thompson of Grayling, recently won \$100 in the Lions Lucky 13 drawing.

Happy birthday to you



CELEBRATING NUMBER 95—Friends of Agnes Nelson recently gathered at the Senior Center to help Agnes Nelson celebrate her 95th birthday.

Seventy-seven persons attended the potluck and brought many gifts and well wishes.

Agnes has been a familiar face at the center for many years and is hoping to return to her front desk duties very soon after the long winter.

HOMETOWN NEWS

Dave and Jill Wyman have another new grandson. Nicholas Sarrault was born March 7, 1996, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. His dad and mom are Joel and Dawn Sarrault, and his big brother is Zachery. Grandma and Grandpa Wyman spent a week enjoying both boys.

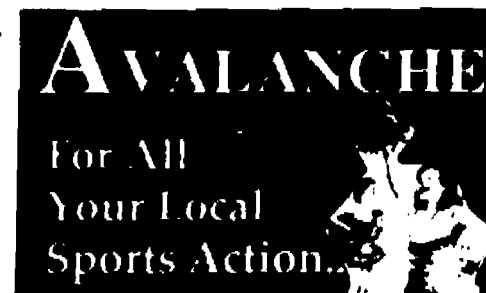
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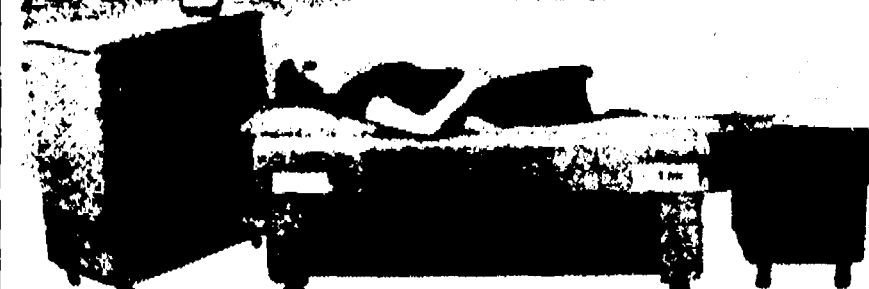
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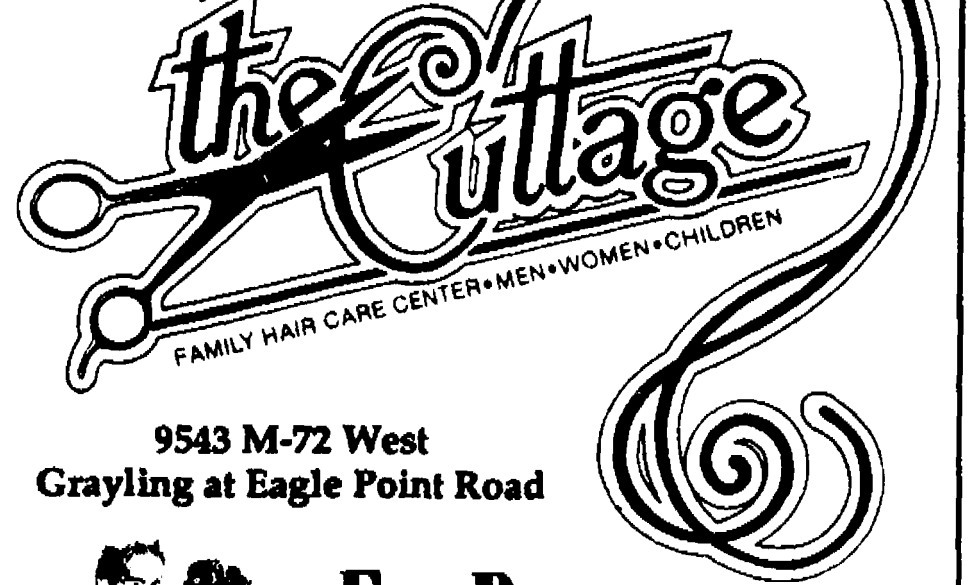
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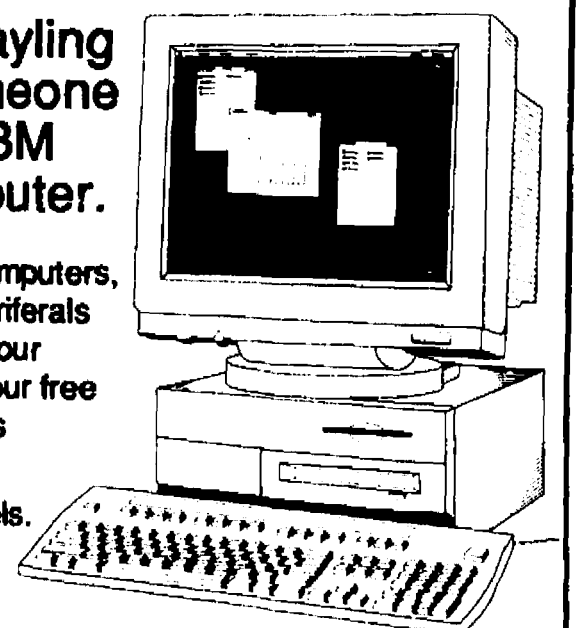
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Oil companies charge landowners production fees

By Nedra Pickler
Capital News Service

Chuck Colbeck, a resident of Milford, co-owns the mineral rights to oil-producing land in Otsego County. But instead of paying Colbeck this year, the company extracting the oil sent him a bill.

Colbeck used to be paid a royalty for allowing the company to drill for the minerals.

When he inherited a portion of the mineral rights in 1990, he received about \$1,200 for one month's production. In January 1996, he was billed for more than \$600.

He is being charged for postproduction costs, or PPCs, which primarily consist of the price of removing carbon dioxide, water and other contaminants from the oil, and the cost of transporting the oil to its point of sale.

Colbeck said the trouble started in 1993, when the state signed a letter to the Michigan Oil and Gas Association, agreeing to pay a portion of PPCs on state-owned land.

Rodney Stokes, chief of the Department of Natural Resources' real estate division, said the state agreed to pay for one-sixth of the PPCs in exchange for receiving one-sixth of the revenue from the oil developments.

"We did not make this decision in a vacuum," Stokes said. He asserts that paying PPCs allowing the state to receive more money than it would if it just sold the oil without processing it to make it usable.

Stokes said he made it clear to the oil and gas companies—that the agreement to pay PPCs applied only to state leases, but Colbeck said the companies used it as justification to deduct PPCs from private mineral owners.

"If they had costs they wanted to share they should have put it in the lease," Colbeck said. "All they're doing is playing bully with all the small mineral owners."

Rep. Bill Bobier, R-Hesperia, sent a letter to Attorney General Frank J. Kelley in February requesting an investigation to determine if the oil companies are fraudulent in their dealings with state and private landowners.

In his letter, Bobier cited several concerns, including deduction of inappropriate PPCs, private owners being charged PPCs in breach of their lease agreement, and no means to check the companies for accuracy.

"With so many wells and so many companies and so many variables in postproduction costs, it's virtually impossible to audit," he said.

Kelley responded to Bobier in an April letter, in which he recommended that PPC deductions be disallowed under future leases.

"This would not only greatly simplify the system but would also bring a much-needed consistency to the process," Kelley wrote. "By disallowing PPCs, the operator will

simply factor in all of its costs, and market forces will presumably adjust lease prices accordingly."

Kelley suggested private royalty owners with leases silent on the issue of PPCs negotiated mutually-agreeable arrangement or take their dispute to the courts.

He stressed "owners should not believe an operator's representation that PPC deductions must be allowed because the State of Michigan has agreed to them."

Colbeck was disappointed in Kelley's response. "No one wants to belly up to the bar and protect the people," he said. "As long as PPCs are allowed, the opportunity for corruption exists."

John Wilson, owner of Western Land Services Inc. in Ludington, said the current PPC allowances are hard to enforce.

"It's kind of a mess the way it's

done now," he said. "My feeling would be to limit PPCs to those to third-party transportation companies, which are easy to document."

He said different oil companies treat the PPC issue in different ways, and some never change their policies on royalty payments to private mineral owners.

Wilson, who has worked with oil companies interested in doing business in Michigan, said he hopes the state tries to deal with future leases right away.

"People become disillusioned with the State of Michigan," he said. "The one thing we can't handle as an industry is uncertainty."

Stokes said the state is going to audit oil companies it deals with to make sure charges for PPCs are legitimate.

"We'll get the money that is coming to us," he said. "I'm confident of that."

Mercy celebrates Nurses Week May 6-12

All across the United States, nurses are being saluted.

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The Juilliard String Quartet will bring their musical prowess, insight and vitality to Corson Auditorium Tuesday, May 14. The Interlochen

Arts Festival event begins at 7:30 p.m. The quartet has established and maintained a reputation as one of history's great string quartets through performances, recordings, fostering new works, and the training of young musicians. The ensemble is celebrating

their 50th year as one of the world's definitive string quartets. The Juilliard String Quartet has been acclaimed in concert through the United States, Europe, Asia, South America, and the Pacific; and has been a part of all the

world's important music festivals and has appeared with major symphony orchestras around the world. Tickets to this special concert are \$17 for adults and \$9 for children 18 and under.

On Wednesday, May 8, the Interlochen Arts Academy Orchestra will give a concert in the Corson Auditorium at 8:30 p.m. Conducted by Matthew Hazelwood, the orchestra will play *Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 5*, Movements 1, 2, and 4, and also the *Copland Clarinet concerto*, with concerto soloist Alex Fiterstein. From Israel, Fiterstein was an Interlochen

Arts Camp high school concerto winner for the summer of 1995. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors and students 18 and under.

The Interlochen Arts Academy Choir will give a Mother's Day concert at Central United Methodist Church in downtown Traverse City on Sunday, May 12. The performance will be conducted by Matthew Hazelwood and the choir will sing at the 10:55 a.m. service. The concert is a long-standing tradition and always enjoys a good turnout.

The Senior Art Jury II begins Saturday, May 4, at the Interlochen Arts Academy gallery and runs through May 11. The outstanding array of artwork features the vibrant talents of Interlochen's visual art students. The diverse mediums represented include printing, sculpture, ceramics, weaving, metalsmithing, photography, painting and more. A reception will be held at 7 p.m. on opening night and the event is free to the public. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 7-8 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

Call the Interlochen Box Office, for additional information on these and other events, at (616) 276-6230.

WHIMS FROM WELLINGTON

By Howard Taylor

I don't know what has her so upset, but Mother Nature certainly has been dishing out a real old-fashioned winter this year. And according to the most rudimentary of calculation, we still have more to go. But never fear! Spring is going to come! I have it on the best authority! All of the seed catalogues have arrived, and we have begun leafing through them in all seriousness, reading about the new varieties, and remembering the varieties we planted last year that grew well, turning down pages so we can find what we want when it comes time to get the order for seeds in the mail. I can think of no better assurance that spring surely will come that the arrival of that first seed catalogue in the mail box.

This year, we are looking at those catalogues with a bit of a different slant. We are taking a little extra time reading about those 'heritage varieties,' old standards that have been grown by farmers and gardeners down

through the years. Things like Golden Bantam corn, White Icicle radishes and Rutgers tomatoes. It's old varieties like these that will be found growing at Wellington Farm Park this season, just as soon as Mother Nature eases off a bit.

When it opens to the public on May 25, Wellington Farm Park will be a historical/environmental/recreational complex very unlike anything in the area. To begin with, Wellington Farm Park will be a working farmstead, set in the year of 1932, the year that the economy of this country reached rock bottom. Interpreters will be on hand to provide visitors a first-hand account of "How things were done in the 'not-so-old' days."

Wellington Farm Park is governed under the auspices of a non-profit corporation as determined by the Internal Revenue Service under chapters 501(c)(3). Decisions are made by a five-member citizens advisory

board of directors. Much of the work is being done by a group of volunteers who call themselves the Wellington Farm Folk. They meet regularly on the first Tuesday of each month and they cordially invite anyone interested in the project to attend. More information about Wellington and the Farm Folk can be obtained by calling 1-800-624-0221.

One of the things that the Farm Folk do at their meeting is to engage in a bit of brain teasing, trying to come up with the correct answers for a series of questions they have been presented. Let me give you an example. In 1932, all across this country you could find 'settlements' of shacks made from discarded lumber and cardboard boxes in which thousands of homeless people lived. What were these settlements referred to as? Be sure to watch for "Whims From Wellington" in future issues of the Avalanche for the answer.

GHS blood drive results

The Grayling High School students, led by Brooke Blaauw, Cheryl McCurdy and Heidi Callewaert, held another successful blood drive on May 1.

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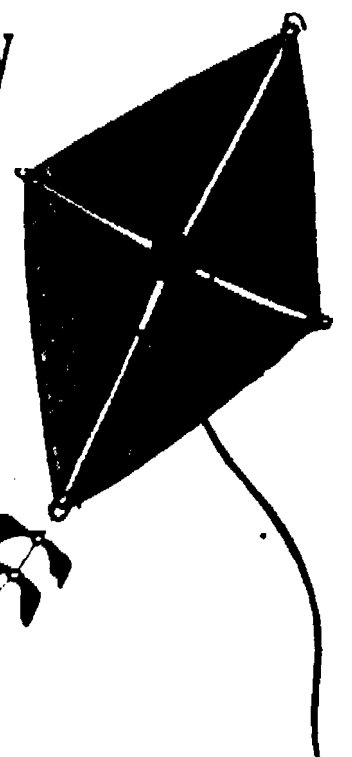
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Barbara Bishoff, master gardener of Roscommon, with 20 years of gardening experience, will share information on perennials and how to present color throughout the growing season, with local garden club members.

Bishoff's own gardens display over 100 varieties of perennials, various ground covers, wild flower patches and the use of fieldstone in difficult to plant areas.

"I'm not afraid to experiment with different varieties of bulbs and

perennials," Bishoff said. "The enjoyment, of course, is when everything pops up!"

Bishoff will bring photos of her plantings and share her creative ideas at the next Beyond the Garden Wall meeting, Thursday, May 16, at 6:30 p.m., at the St. Mary's Learning Center.

Club members are asked to bring potted seedlings and plants to the meeting for their annual spring plant exchange. Plants can be purchased for a modest fee if unable to exchange.

O.E.S. NEWS

The past matrons of Grayling Chapter #83 of the Order of the Eastern Star, will be honored with a potluck dinner the at Masonic Temple on Wednesday, May 15, at 6 p.m.

Members are urged to join in this special evening. Guests are welcome.

MAGISTRATE

Appearing before Magistrate Jean Callewart:

Anthony E. Kopka III of Roscommon, was fined \$60 for Possession Of Fishing Device—River Closed To Fishing.

Robert E. Yoder of Grayling, was fined \$35 for Attempt—Possession Of Firearm Without Hunting License In Area Frequented By Wildlife (Target Practice).

Tracy Lee Arnold II of St. Clair Shores, was fined \$70 for Fish Closed Trout Waters.

DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

By Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter,
North Higgins Lake State Park

A couple of weeks ago, at Wellington Farm Park, during the fruit-tree trimming demonstration, one of the group asked about the lichen growing on the trunk of one of the trees. The question, like the lichen is not new. There are, according to some sources, some 15,000 species of lichen. While lichens may come in rather strange shapes and look like ordinary plants, they are actually far from the ordinary. Lichens are two plants, living in close association, a fungus and an algae. Neither could survive well or at all without the other.

The fungus is able to absorb moisture required by the algae. The fungus also provides a place for the algae to live, as the fungus is anchored to the surface by root-like structures. The algae is the food-producing member of the partnership, providing the fungus with carbohydrates. From the hot to cold places of the earth, whether it is dry or wet, you will find some variety of lichen growing on rocks, bare soil, bone, on certain weevils and trees. Lichens are soil builders and thrive where other plants could not, and in their ability to survive in otherwise hostile environments, they prepare the way for other plants.

While lichens are able to survive in extremes of climate, most species are sensitive to air pollution so large cities and industrial areas are off limits, so to speak. They are thus used as indicators of the severity, spread or control of air

pollution. Lichens have long life spans and slow growth probably associated with the difficult conditions in which they live. In our temperate area, a full-grown lichen may be a half-century old, while those growing on a rock in the Arctic, may be more 4,000 years old. The fastest growing, grow less than a half-inch a year, while the Arctic species may need several hundred years to grow an inch.

The 15,000 or so species may be divided into three groups, based upon the way they grow. The crustose are those species that grow as thin flat crusts on rocks and other surfaces. They may be dull green, yellow, orange or even red. Foliose lichens look much like leaves that have been pasted down with loose edges. The third group of lichens are called fruticose. Some hang like tassels from tree limbs, while others grow upright from the ground.

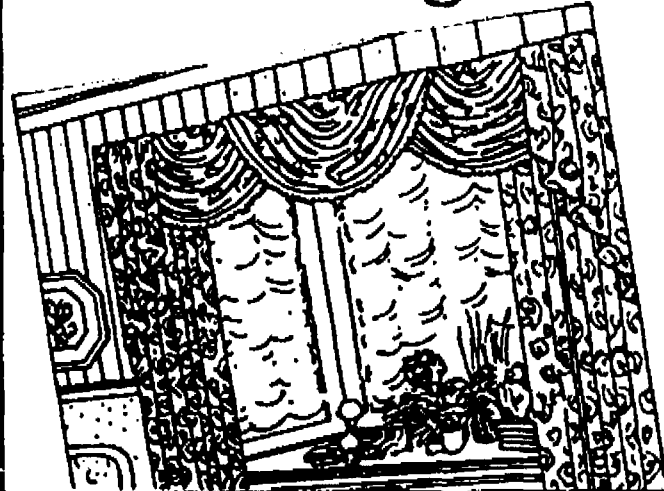
Lichens reproduce from spores released by the fungi, and if as they grow, they come into contact with the right algae, they live, if not, they die. Lichens are brittle, so if a piece breaks off and lands in the proper place, it revives and continues to grow. Some lichens are used to produce antibiotics, others produce scarlet, purple, blue, brown, gray and yellow dyes. Most lichens are inedible, but the leaf-like species called Iceland moss yields a starchy food. Reindeer moss and rock trip (two lichen species) have also been used as emergency rations.

Rotary calendar winners named

Rotary calendar winners for April were Marion Eggleston, Kathy Lohai, Mark Furst, Larry Akers, Brion and

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BITS OF TALK

By Fay Bovee

From the amount of black plastic bags sitting on the curbs with yard wastes in them, it looks as though the notices in the paper have not reached the people. Last week's paper had a big ad telling people exactly what they needed to do with yard wastes, and it didn't include putting the stuff in plastic bags. We have been recycling our own yard wastes for years, and converting it into garden soil, which produces many of our vegetables for our dinner table. All of the non-meat scraps go into a compost container in a little corner of the back yard, and again they eventually turn into soil for the garden. It doesn't take much space and not much time.

We also have been recycling other things: paper, cans, plastic, and glass for several years. All of the styrofoam and plastic bags have been going back to Glen's Market for years, and we use string bags for groceries so that we do not have to waste the paper sacks. We've even made trips to other

recycling places just to get rid of it so that it wouldn't have to go in our landfill. We don't like landfills any better than anyone else, so we've been doing our part to see that it doesn't get into one. And now, we find that there is even going to be more recycling than ever—they are taking most every kind of paper, including phone books, catalogs, boxes, etc. They only ask that loose paper be tied so that it doesn't fly out of the truck. The Masons or Shriners are taking newspapers for recycling, so give someone a call if you have a bundle of them. Let's not fill up our landfill—do your part!

Congratulations to Pat McLaughlin, who has completed her degree and graduated from Central Michigan University on Saturday!

Mrs. Diane Doremire accompanied her son and family, Thane and Julie Doremire, Nicole, Rachel and Taylor, on a week's trip to Florida. Julie's mother, Mrs. Retalon McLeod of Howell, also accompanied them. They

went sightseeing in and around Orlando, and visited a few relatives.

Don and Elsie Jansen attended the funeral of Elsie Nolan on April 19 in Lansing. Elsie was a former Grayling resident.

Last weekend, Don and Elsie Jansen attended the World War II Submariners North Central regional meeting in Grand Rapids.

Allen Morford, who had been doing his student teaching at the Frederic Elementary School, graduated from Central Michigan University on Saturday, May 4, with a B.S. degree in Elementary Education. Allen is the son of Jerry and Judy Morford.

Skip Crawford and wife Freda, from Trenton, Missouri, their son Jeff, his wife Marsha, and two children from Tucson, Arizona, will be vacationing at the Kellogg House at Kellogg Bridge, with Lloyd and Helen Crawford. Friends are welcome to stop and visit May 26-31.



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The Book Club will be discussing *Lake Country* by Kathleen Stocking, Friday, May 17, at 1 p.m., at the Crawford County Library.

New books at the Crawford County Library include *Malice* by Steel, *Killer* by D'Amato, *Spring Collection* by Judith Krantz, *Bucking The Sun* by Doig, *Moonlight Becomes You* by Clark, *Pentecost Alley* by Perry, *Tales Of Burning Love* by Eldrich, *Guilty As Sin* by Hoag, *McNally's Puzzle* by Sanders, *Montana Sky* by Roberts, *In*

The Presence Of The Enemy by George, *Blue Lonesome* by Pronzini, *Black Water* by Allyn, *Floater* by Wambaugh, *Lost Layen* by Mitchell, *Tenth Insight* by Redfield, *Sins Of The Father* by Kessler, *How Could You Do That* by Schlessinger, *Chronicles Of The Olympics*, *Hotel Paradise* by Grimes, and *Rose* by Smith.

The Crawford County Library is open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Phone 348-9214.

Questions answered by the VA

Question: What kinds of homes are available under VA's acquired properties listings?

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Question: How and when are these properties listed?

Answer: VA manages and sells acquired properties through 46 VA regional offices. Some VA offices issue sales listings, at least monthly, by direct mail to participating real estate brokers and others place sales listings in local newspapers. The properties are available for sale to the

general public through the services of private-sector real estate brokers. Real estate brokers assist prospective purchasers in finding, viewing and offering to purchase the properties. VA pays the sales commission. Prospective purchasers should contact a local real estate broker of their choice for additional information.

Question: How can I obtain the latest listings electronically?

Answer: Many VA offices maintain electronic bulletin boards that include information about the property sales program and a list of the properties available for sale. A list of the telephone numbers of these bulletin boards is available in a "Homes for Sale" file on VA's national bulletin board, VA-Online (1-800-871-8387), under the Veterans Benefits Menu.

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A free comic strip publication about depression has been released around Crawford County. The publication, *Cardinal Adventures* #6 contains information for children and parents alike.

Besides featuring a comic strip story about depression, the full-color tabloid includes an interview about the mood disorder with counselor, Greg Siemienkiewicz, director of New Hope Christian Counseling of Indian River. In his interview, Siemienkiewicz describes the causes of depression, the warning signs of depression, and how family and friends can help someone who is depressed. The Siemienkiewicz interview is aimed at readers in their early teens and older, with some comments directed toward parents.

"Teenage depression is often masked," said Siemienkiewicz. "And teens aren't likely to tell their parents they need to see a counselor. So, parents

(and other professionals working with youth) need to be aware of what to look for."

The "Cardinal" superhero story for this issue features one of the strip's established characters becoming

depressed. According to former Grayling resident, Kurt Kolka, writer-artist for the comic, "We're dealing with this topic realistically. There's no super-villain behind this character becoming depressed. To put it simply,

a lot of research and thought has gone into the making of this story.

"At one point, some of my drawings had accidentally conflicted with my research. I realized my depressed character's behavior was following common misconceptions about depression, rather than following the reality of how most depression sufferers act. It meant having to go back and re-draw about half the page for the sake of realism."

Both Kolka and Siemienkiewicz hope the publication will go far in educating the general public about this common mood disorder and encouraging those who suffer from it to seek help.

Cardinal Adventures is drawn in a newspaper Sunday comics section format. All work on the annual publication is done by volunteers. Copies of this special depression edition are available at Mary's Corner Book Swap and Stevens Family Circle in Grayling, and at Northend Grocery in Frederic.

The free publication is funded by Mt. Hope Lutheran Church in Grayling, Friendship Church in Gaylord, Community Church of God in Charlevoix, the Harvest Barn Church in East Jordan, the junior youth group of Zion Lutheran in Petoskey, and the Sunday school staff at St. Matthew's Lutheran in Manistota.



Mercy Hospital's new Stroke Support Group has over 20 persons involved, after only one meeting. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, May 14, at 6:30 p.m., in the Private Dining Room at Grayling Mercy Hospital. Dr. Charles Todoroff, MD., will speak on the cause and prevention of stroke. Any person who has had a stroke is eligible to join. Family members, friends and health professionals or other interested in the problems caused by stroke are also welcome as members. Mercy speech therapists, Cathy Moss-Hilbrecht, Grayling, and Joyce McEvoy, Houghton Lake, are meeting facilitators. The club is designed to encourage stroke victims and members of their families to understand and better cope with the disabilities that can result from stroke. For more information, call Mercy Healthline at 1-800-33-MERCY.

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Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling in the following areas:

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The Small Arms ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline, and south of Portage Creek. Firing will begin on May 8 and cease on May 15.

The Small Arms ranges located at Arrowhead Road in Kalkaska County. Firing will begin on May 8 and cease on May 15.

Range 17, Hand Grenade Range located south of the main post, north of Carrier Road, east of Range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military) Road. Firing will begin on May 10 and cease on May 12.

Range 20 and 21, Demolition Ranges located south of Howe Road, west of the Crawford County Line, north of Daniels Road, and east of the gas pipeline. Firing will begin on May 14 and cease on May 15.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. 197 (Twin Bridge Rd). Firing will begin on May 8 through May 11, and May 13 through May 15.

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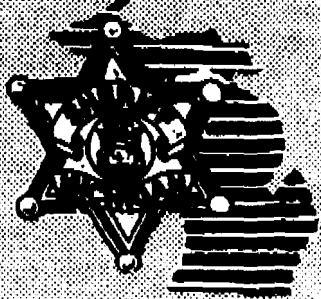
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Crawford County Sheriff Department



Sheriff Patrol.

By Linda Sherwood

For the week of April 29-May 5

The Crawford County Sheriff Department responded to 121 incidents during the week of Monday, April 29, through Sunday, May 5.

A 37-year-old Roscommon man was arrested for the assault and rape of a 13-year-old girl. See related story on page 1A. There were two other criminal sexual conduct cases reported during the week.

A break-in was reported in Frederic Township. Three larcenies were also reported.

Cats continue to be a problem for the neighbors of Anne Bishop on Dawn Drive. In April, over 50 cats were removed from her home, which was declared a health hazard by the Department of Public Health. Complaints from three different neighbors have led to animal control officer placing live traps in an effort to catch the cats. At least four cats were captured during the week. One neighbor called stating that the cats were in the attic of their home. There were 32 animal control complaints during the week.

A brush fire Sunday, May 5, was reported to have been left from a party on Bell Top Lodge Road, near Hay Marsh Creek Trail. The fire was reported at 8:25 a.m.

Two trailers were damaged on Saturday, May 4. A trailer on Pioneer Road was damaged around noon. Windows were busted out of a trailer on Per Cheney Road later that evening. Deputies investigated three other property damage complaints during the week.

Two missing persons were reported during the week. On Thursday, May 2, a 11-year-old girl was reported missing at almost 7 p.m. On Saturday, May 4, a 5-year-old boy was reported missing just before 6 p.m. Both were located.

There were 12 accidents during the week, none of which resulted in injuries. A majority of the accidents involved car/deer collisions. An elderly driver did minor damage to the brick planter in front of the Grayling Insurance Agency on Michigan Avenue. The accident occurred on Tuesday, April 30, around 9:40 a.m.

During the week, deputies also investigated six family trouble incidents, one parental kidnapping, 15 suspicious situations and 12 general, noncriminal incidents.

YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

Note exception to Medicare Premium Penalty for some late enrollees

The Social Security Administration has received a number of calls from people who have read about the annual open-enrollment period for Medicare Part B and wonder if they will be subject to the premium penalty if they enroll after their first chance to do so at age 65. The answer is generally yes, but there is an exception.

The three-month general open-enrollment period from Jan. 1 to March 31, is for people 65 or over who don't have Part B Medicare coverage, which supplements Medicare Part A hospital insurance with doctor bills coverage. This period is to give you a second chance if you didn't enroll when you were first eligible or you dropped your coverage. Most delayed enrollees pay a 10 percent surcharge for each year they could have enrolled but did not.

However, there is a special enrollment period if you or your spouse is working. You may be able to delay enrollment in Part B without paying a premium penalty or waiting for a general enrollment period. You can enroll in Part B during an eight-month special-enrollment period if you have group health plan coverage from that current employment at the time you first became eligible for Medicare. This special enrollment period begins with the month employment ends or the month your group health plan coverage ends, whichever comes first.

Part B coverage, also called "medical insurance," helps pay for doctors' care, outpatient hospital visits, and other

medical services. People are offered the option of signing up for Part B at the same time they are automatically enrolled in Medicare's Part A (hospital insurance) program. The basic monthly premium is \$42.50 monthly.

People who want to sign up for Part B Medicare coverage should call the Traverse City Social Security office at (616) 946-8361, or call Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. any business day. The lines are busiest early in the week and early in the month, so it's best to call at other times.

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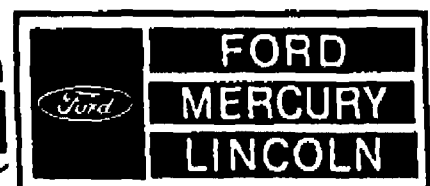
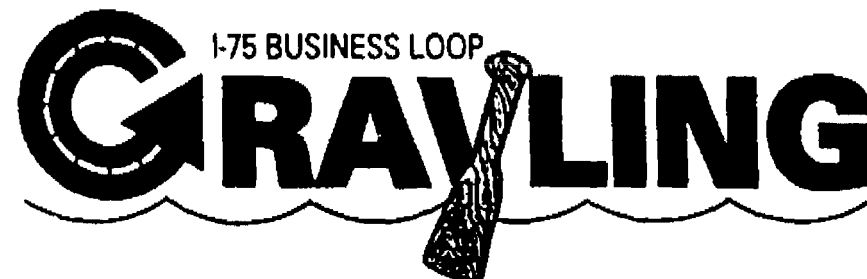


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QUALITY CARE



McManus applauds funding for colleges

Senator George McManus (R-Traverse City) recently applauded the recent announcement by the Department of Management and Budget that institutions of higher education and community colleges will be getting an additional 22.6 million in state funding.

All of Michigan's 15 state universities will receive supplemental funds totaling \$18,805,186. In

addition, Michigan's 28 community colleges will get an additional \$3,847,914 in funding. Locally, Northwestern Michigan College of Traverse City, will receive a \$107,757 supplement, and Kirtland Community College in Roscommon, will receive \$41,612.

"This announcement is great news for our universities and their students," said McManus, a past trustee of

Northwestern Michigan College and director of the college's foundation. "This money will further assist these institutions with providing quality education to the students who take advantage of our fine state universities. Northwestern and Kirtland will both have total control of where the funds go and how they are spent. They know what their needs are and will be able to use this money in a way that will help them the most."

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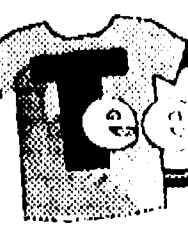
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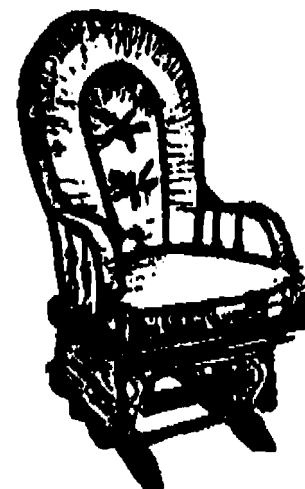
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96 GRADUATE--Angel Lee Hale, daughter of Janet and the late Robert Hale of Grayling, graduated from Ferris State University with honors on Saturday, May 4. She received her bachelor of science degree in Health Care Systems Administrations.

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WADE HONORED BY MICHIGAN TECH--Barbara Wade, technical manager at the Grayling Structurwood Mill, has been selected as a member of the Wood Products Honor Academy at Michigan Technological University.

This privilege is reserved for graduates of the School of Forestry and Wood Products who have distinguished themselves in their chosen profession. Wade was inducted into the academy at a ceremony in Houghton, on April 19.

Wade joined Weyerhaeuser in Grayling as a process/quality specialist and was promoted to technical manager in 1990. In late 1995, she was named technical manager for the eastern division and provides technical guidance to the North Carolina and West Virginia mills in addition to carrying out her responsibilities for the Grayling mill.

Wade is a 1978 graduate of Michigan Tech with a bachelor of science degree in wood science.



CALL HONORED BY THE MICHIGAN FOREST RESOURCE ALLIANCE--Paul Call, raw materials manager at the Grayling Structurwood Mill, has been named the 1995 outstanding volunteer of the Michigan Forest Resource Alliance (MFRA).

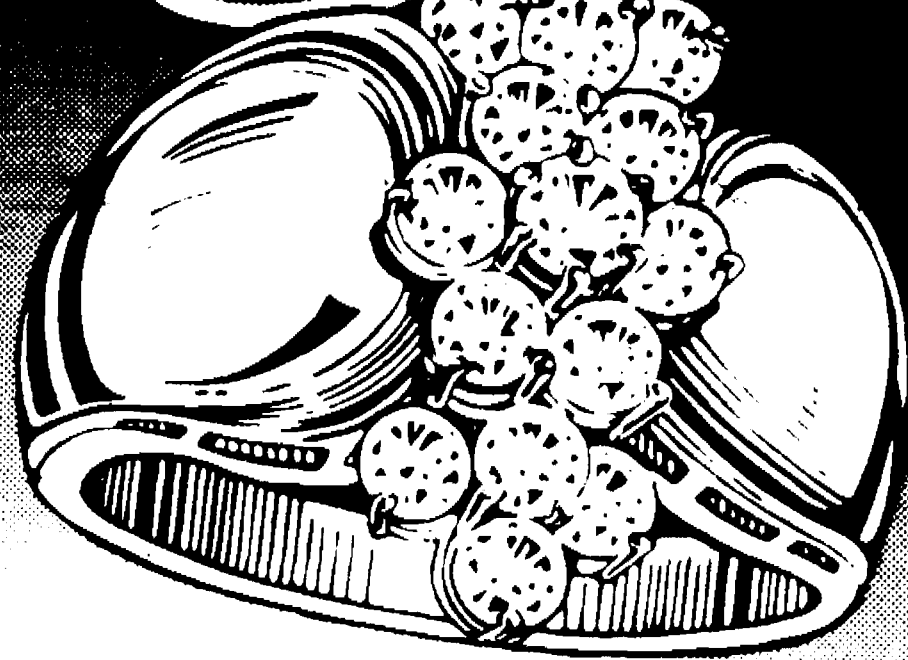
MFRA is an all-volunteer organization of professional loggers, foresters, industry and private landowners whose mission is to promote sound forest management of both private and public lands through educational programs.

Call, a member of the MFRA board of directors for the past four years, was recognized for his contribution to the organization; specifically, his leadership in the formation of Chapter 6 in 1991, his involvement in establishing forest demonstration sites, and coordination of a variety of educational programs. In 1993, he initiated a program with Roscommon and Grayling Elementary School 4-6 graders to visit a logging site, learn about forest management practices, and learn how to plant trees. More than 1,200 students have participated in the three-year period.

Call is a registered forester and has been with Weyerhaeuser since 1992.

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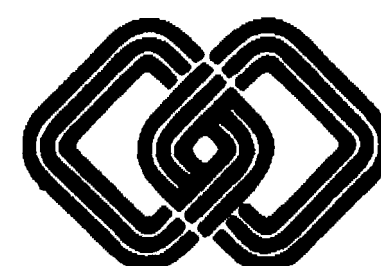


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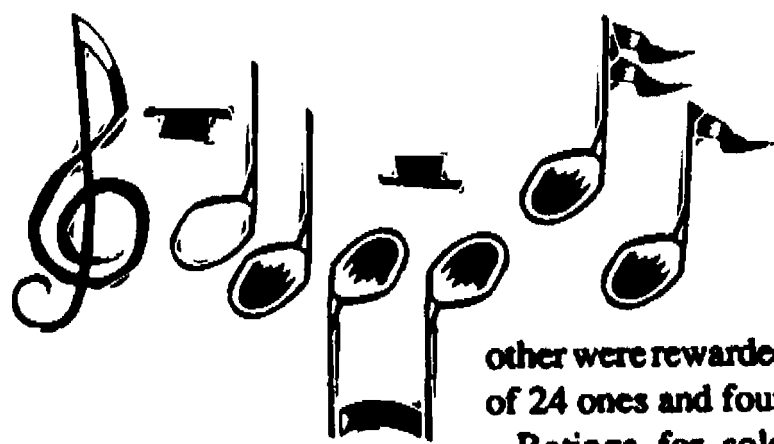
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NOTES NORTHERN

Section B Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday May 9, 1996

GMS band students caught the beat and got the ones!



other were rewarded with a total of 24 ones and four twos.

Hours of hard work and weeks of practicing paid off when Grayling Middle School band students competed at the District II MSBOA solo/ensemble festival on Saturday, April 20.

Seventh and eighth grade students entered 28 events in hopes of achieving the much-sought after one rating. The hard work, determination and preparation, the hours of work with directors, accompanists, and each

Ratings for solo/ensembles range from one to five, with ones being the best possible rating. Students volunteer to compete at solo/ensemble festival, finding time to practice before school, during lunch hours and after school to put together their events and prepare for the big day.

Judges at the MSBOA events are required to have taught instrumental music for seven years and attend judges schooling.

Judges are on probation for three years to ensure they are qualified for the position.

"Congratulations to the participants," said Dennis Ormsbee, director of the band at Crawford AuSable Schools. "It was a great day. Not only the performances, but socially. Behavior was a real credit to the Grayling Middle School."

Receiving twos at solo/ensemble were Bethany Black for a snare solo; Nick Nickert for a trumpet solo. The woodwind

trio of Laura Gassman, Becky Hunt and Rachel Hunt and the flute duet of Lindsey Knapp and Krys Rugenstein.

Receiving ones at solo/ensemble were Dawn Adloff with a trumpet solo, Becky Hunt with an oboe solo, Tricia Griesemer with an alto saxophone solo, and Tim Ormsbee with a tuba solo. Also receiving ones were Laura Gassman with a clarinet solo, Krys Rugenstein with a flute solo, Amy Doherty with a French horn solo, Sarah

McGuire with a snare solo and the saxophone duet of Carrie Hellebuyck and Tricia Griesemer.

The woodwind duet of Christi Duncley and Colby Davis received ones at solo/ensemble too. As did Tiffany Ruark with an alto saxophone solo and a flute solo, Carrie Hellebuyck with a bari saxophone solo, Rachel Hunt for a flute solo, Heidi Englund for a trumpet solo, Erin Scott for a French horn solo, Lindsey Knapp for a

flute solo, Marianne Vollmer with a trumpet solo and Amy Stevenson with a flute solo.

Duets receiving ones included Amy Doherty and Erin Scott who performed a French horn duet, Adria Frankina and Jill Ryther with a clarinet duet, Tiffany Ruark and Tasha Carlisle with a flute duet and Adria Frankina and Christi Duncley with a clarinet duet. The clarinet trio of Adria Frankina, Christi Duncley and Jill Ryther also received a one.



A JOB WELL DONE -- GMS band students placed well at district solo/ensemble. Pictured are (Front, L to R) Tiffany Ruark, Krys Rugenstein, Sarah McGuire, Tasha Carlisle, Rachel Hunt, Colby Davis, (Middle, L to R) Lindsey Knapp, Marianne Vollmer, Amy Stevenson, Becky Hunt, Laura Gassman, Jill Ryther, (Back, L to R) Bethany Black, Tricia Griesemer, Carrie Hellebuyck, Amy Doherty, Erin Scott, Nick Nickert, Heidi Englund, Dawn Adloff, Adria Frankina, and Christi Duncley

GMS forensics team does well at state

For the second year in a row, the Grayling Middle School forensics team has won the Central State Forensic Title.

Thirty Grayling Middle School students participated along with 572 students from other schools at the State Forensic Tournament in Ann Arbor, April 26-27.

The Grayling Middle School students did exceptionally well with 14 events finishing in the top 10.

Brandi McClain finished in first place in the extemporaneous category, competing against 28 other students. Kane Madsen came home with a second place state win for informative out of 28 other students. Madsen was just one point out of first place with 299 out of 300 possible points. Taking third in state competition was Jill Ryther for Oratory. Ryther also missed first place by just one point with 299 out of 300 possible points. There was a two-way tie for first in her category.

The multiple interpretation team of Christie Duncley, Darci Trudgeon and Colby Davis finished in fifth place against 27 other entries.

Finishing in sixth place was Brandi Lewis for poetry. Lewis competed against 46 other students. Out of 60 students, Dave Hawkins took sixth place in prose. John McNamara came home in seventh place for prose. Sarah Carmean and Gina Rosi

ted for eighth place in story-telling out of 61 entries. Also tying for eight place in informa-

tive were Ara Gallagher and Angela Fisher. Jennifer Wheeling finished in eighth for ex-

temporaneous and Amie Price finished eighth in oratory. Marc Weaver came in ninth place in prose.



**GRAYLING MIDDLE SCHOOL FORENSICS TEAM
STATE COMPETITION FINALISTS**



**BRANDI MCCLAIN
FIRST PLACE
EXTEMPORANEOUS**



**KANE MADSEN
SECOND PLACE
INFORMATIVE**



**JILL RYTHYR
THIRD PLACE
ORATORY**

COMMUNITY SPORTS



MCRA CHAMPS — Local amateur team, Steven Corlew and Ben Baker, finished first out of eight teams in the first Michigan Canoe Racing Association's race, which was held in Owosso on Saturday, April 27 on the Shiawassee River. Another local team, Colin Hunter and Eric Podjaske placed fifth.

Baker and Corlew came in first place once more on Saturday, May 4, in Roscommon. Hunter and Podjaske placed third in Roscommon.

The next races will be held Saturday, May 11, on the Huron River in Dexter.

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Grayling High School track results

On Monday, April 22, the Grayling High School track team competed against Traverse City and Suttons Bay at Traverse City. Despite the freezing-cold temperature, 32 degrees, and the ripping cold winds, the team ran each event hard. The results are as follows:

Boys
Placing third: David Sabin (11), 300 meter hurdles; Jesse Hannum (10), 100 meter dash; Chris Kucharek (12), 400 meter dash.
Placing fourth: Sabin, 110 meter high hurdles and high jump; Mickey McClain (10), 300 meter hurdles.

Girls
Placing first: 1,600 meter relay team of Mary Dobry (9), Amy Godlewski (10), Angie Floriano (11), and Brooke Ginter (9).
Placing third: Dobry, 400 meter dash; Nicole Craigie (10), high jump.

Placing fourth: Jamie McGuire (10), 3,200 meter run; Natalie Kent (9), 400 meter dash.

This past Saturday, May 4, the team competed in an invitational at Kalkaska. The following schools were there: Harbor Springs, Kalkaska,

Charlevoix, Bellaire, East Jordan, Elk Rapids, Traverse City St. Francis, and Grayling. The meet began at 9 a.m., and finished at 4 p.m. The highlight of this meet was that many athletes improved upon their previous "best" times. Also two athletes earned medals. The team results are as follows:

Boys
Placing third and earning medals: Kucharek, 400 meter dash; Tylor Ballor (9), high jump.

Placing fourth: 400 meter relay team of Corey Northrop (12), Joe Collen (11), Sabin, and Brett Hopp (12).

Placing fifth: Sabin, 300 meter hurdles; Hannum, 100 meter dash; 1,600 meter relay team of Kucharek, McClain, Northrop and Ballor.
Placing sixth: Sabin, 110 meter high hurdles.

Girls
Placing fourth: McGuire, 300 meter hurdles.
Placing fifth: 3,200 meter relay team of Ginter, Godlewski, McGuire, and Kent.

Placing sixth: 1,600 meter relay team of Ginter, Godlewski, McGuire and Dobry.

GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

By Donna Thomson

What a major disappointment to wake up to snow on the first day of golf, after a long, hard winter.

I understand about 10 gallons actually went in, but this little wimp went back to bed, as I'm sure a lot of others did.

I was told that the golf committee has our handbooks ready for league play, which begins May 15, and that is not an easy task.

Next week, I hope to give you a "fun day" report.

See you on the 8th—rain, shine or snow?

Register for T-ball through May 15

Registration deadline for T-ball is May 15. The program is for 6- and 7-year-olds. To play, your child must be 6 before July 31, and may not turn 8 before Aug. 1.

The first game will be on Wednesday, May 29, at 6:30 p.m. The program will run for six weeks, with no game on the week of July 4.

The registration fee is \$3 if no shirt and cap are needed, and \$8 if you need a shirt and cap.

To register, stop by the Crawford County Extension office located in the courthouse, or for more information, call the 4-H office at 348-2841, ext. 264.

Northeast Michigan Athletic Conference

School	Distance	Enrollment
Bay City John Glenn	100	860
Gladwin	67	567
Ogemaw Heights	49	845
Oscoda	94	500
Pinconning	83	725
Saginaw Valley Lutheran	115	463
Standish Sterling	73	626
Tawas	80	525
Average	83	639

Vikings join Northeast Athletic Conference

The Grayling Vikings have been admitted into the Northeast Michigan Athletic Conference, which will begin competition in the fall of 1997.

Athletic Director Ben Laser was enthusiastic about joining the new league. "It's the best of both worlds," said Laser. The Vikings were facing the possibility of being independent, which would have made scheduling

games very difficult. The competition will also allow the Vikings to receive coverage in two daily papers on a regular basis.

"Being in the northeast will allow our students to compete," said Laser. "All the sports are against the same teams. It's a real nice fit for us."

Whitmore Prescott High School was also admitted to the conference, which now has ten member schools.

Church League champs



THE TEAM FROM ST. FRANCIS--The St. Francis Episcopal Church men's basketball team regained its championship form with tournament victories over arch rival teams from Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church and the Grayling Free Methodist Church.

Pictured below are (Back L to R) Rick Harland, Brian Burnell, Pat Kucharek and William Dean. (Front L to R) Jeremy Jones, Travis Parkinson, Mike Harland and Clyde Holzbauer.

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Yard waste must be contained in biodegradable bags, or rigid, reusable containers. Ordinary plastic bags and cardboard boxes are not acceptable, and will not be picked up.

Containers (bags or rigid) must not weigh more than 50 lbs.

Yard waste containing other debris will not be accepted.

Broken bags or spillage prior to handling by City Environmental is the responsibility of the owner. Drivers may leave such amounts undisturbed by the curbside.

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Yard waste does not include diseased or infested clippings, dead animals or offal, landscaping material, dirt, sod, tree branches or trimmings exceeding 1 inch in diameter, tree trunks or stumps.

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Community pitches in to clean up Hanson Hills

On Saturday, May 4, Hanson Hills had their First Annual Spring Cleanup. According to Cindy Olson, recreation program coordinator, Hanson Hills is preparing many summer activities for local residents, and especially for local

youth. Softball, T-ball, tennis, golf and canoeing for youth teams will begin soon.

To prepare Hanson Hills for the fun, much work needed to be done. Tim Slane of Quality Carpentry and

Masonry, volunteered some heavy-duty backhoe work on the ball field. Bob Rosen and Wolohan Lumber worked together to make the bleachers like new, while Marie Rosen and her children accomplished much-needed painting.

Weyerhaeuser has once again invested in community spirit and contributed their invaluable product to refurbish the "automatic homer" fence around the ball field. Bob Dixon of Dixon Construction, volunteered experience and hard work. Local residents are invited to come out and enjoy a renewed Hanson Hills.

ABWA members Pat Kangas, Pauline Petrosky, Diann Murphy and Cathy Heaven proved tireless at raking and painting. People indispensable and handy at everything were Paul and Kathy Olson, Jim Nygard and family, Vicki and Eric Hart, Neal Michal and Justin Manier. Even the entire sixth

grade from Grayling Middle School had been out to Hanson Hills earlier for a major trash pick-up day. Two surprises occurred. One, hard work turned out to be terrific fun. Two, even the weather cooperated with the friends of Hanson Hills.

Marcus and Dan Miller worked hard, as did Don Ferguson. Randy Thompson, Connie Seewald and Bob Pollack came out from Century 21 River Country Real Estate, to provide a complete cookout lunch for everyone.

But there may not be a Second Annual Spring Cleanup next year, no T-ball games, as there have been in years past. Olson said, flat out, that if the existing millage for Hanson Hills is not renewed in August, it will close—no ifs, ands, or buts.

Enjoy a family picnic, take in a ball game, and enjoy all the benefits of this local park. Soon, it could become a part of our local history.



FOOTNOTES FROM THE HILLS

Grayling Recreation Authority News

By Cindy Olson

Community Clean Up Day— Many thanks to everyone that helped us fix up and clean up at Hanson Hills. We really appreciate your support.

T-Ball— Play was delayed one week for repairs on the field. We will begin Friday, May 10. We will still welcome late sign-ups.

Men's Softball— We are still accepting registrations for teams. Play will begin Tuesday, May 14.

Adult Co-ed Softball— Men and women ages 18 and older. Team fee is \$150. Registration is due by June 7.

Tennis--New Program-- Begins June 4. Ending June 27. Tuesdays and Thursdays. \$20 early registration by May 17; \$25 late registration.

Kite Day--Don't Forget-- Saturday, May 11, 1-3 p.m. Free kites for children 14 and under. Refreshments will be served.

Summer Playground— Registration will be open soon. Program begins the day after school is out and goes until the day before school resumes. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Children K-12 years old are welcome.

Hanson Hills Challenge Trail Run— This trail run is 8.4 km through Hanson Hills' beautiful, hilly terrain. \$12 early registration, \$15 on race day.

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Learn to speak Internet language

Addresses: Example, using Freeway's E-mail address: info@freeway.net typically, E-mail addresses begin with the user's ID, followed by an "@" symbol and then the name of the Internet provider, dot and one of the following: net (which means network), com (commercial), edu (educational), gov (governmental), int (international), mil (military), or org (non-profit). If the address is for the World Wide Web, it'll begin with http://

Chat: "Talking" to others on the Internet, live. IRC (Internet Relay Chat) is a software program that allows you to chat.

Cyber Patrol: A software package that, when installed, blocks out access to certain sites on the Internet. Most commonly used by parents to restrict children's access to objectionable material.

Cyberspace: Nebulous area dominated by computers. In the case of the Internet, that area is the whole world.

Domain Name Registry: Unique name used primarily by businesses

that allows direct access to their Web sites.

Download: To transfer information from the Internet onto a computer. (Upload is to transfer information from a computer onto the Internet.)

E-mail (Electronic Mail): Messages sent or received throughout the world among Internet users.

Eudora: One of the main E-mail programs used on the Internet.

FTP (File Transfer Protocol): Program that allows you to upload or download off the Internet.

Home Page: The first screen you see when you go to a World Wide Web site.

HTML (Hypertext Markup Language): Language used to design Web pages.

Internet: The world-wide collection of computer networks.

Modem: The equipment that connects your computer to a phone line. For best use of the Internet, a minimum 14.4 modem is needed.

News Groups: More than 5,000 different discussion forums covering a huge variety of topics from recipes to

job listings.

PPP/SLIP (Point-to-point protocol/Serial Line Internet Protocol): Allows your computer to be graphically connected to the Internet.

Search Engine: Used most commonly on the World Wide Web to search out key words of topics you want to access.

Surfing the 'net: Cruising from one place to another on the Internet.

TCP/IP (Transport Control Protocol/Internet Protocol): Standard language used to connect different computers, allowing them to communicate with each other (Mac with IBM etc.)

Telnet: Program that allows you to connect to other computers on the Internet with text-based menus.

URL (Universal Resource Locator): Commonly known as an Internet address such as http://www.freeway.net/

World Wide Web: A network within the Internet that includes graphics, audio, video.

Information freeway pops up in Grayling

There's a new freeway in town—one that connects Grayling with the Grand Canyon, or with your grandmother in Grand Rapids, with other Grateful Dead groupies, or millions of other spots in the world.

Freeway, Inc., a northern Michigan Internet access provider, recently installed a Point of Presence in Grayling, with the fastest connectivity available and a large bank of phone lines to alleviate busy signals, a common complaint among Internet users.

With just a local call, Grayling cyberspace riders will dial up to send or receive E-mail anywhere in the world. They'll access millions of pages of government, research, educational, business and entertainment

information. At their fingertips will be thousands of world-wide and local discussion forums on hobbies, business, recreation, travel—or any other topic imaginable. They can check out sports, news, real estate, stock market and weather information, just to name a few. Freeway users also have access to technical support, Web page design, and classes for all levels of individual, corporate and professional users.

Freeway president—and one of the Internet's biggest fans—Charles P. Scott, delights in the extension of services to Grayling through its representative, EPCS in Gaylord.

"Grayling is a vital community that wants Internet services with the quality and range of features offered in major

market areas," said Scott. "As the only full-service Internet provider in the area, we're committed to providing affordable pricing of Internet services to local communities along with an extensive range of services, because we think that everyone should have the Internet experience."

Petoskey-based Freeway currently offers those same services with local access in 11 other cities: Alpena, Boyne City, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, East Jordan, Gaylord, Harbor Springs, Indian River, Mackinaw City, Metro Detroit, Petoskey—and soon Houghton Lake.

For connectivity, or to check out what the Internet excitement is all about, Grayling area residents can call EPCS at 1-888-732-1366 to set up a time to surf the 'net free.

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**Linda DeMarchis,
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- No missing, loose, broken or improperly installed screws, brackets or hardware on the crib or mattress support.
- No more than 2 3/8 inches between crib slats (a pop can should not fit through very easily) so baby's head is not trapped.
- A firm, snug-fitting mattress so baby can't get caught between the mattress and crib.
- No corner posts over one-sixteenth of an inch above the end panels (unless they are over 16 inches high for a canopy). Baby's clothing can catch on a corner post and the baby can strangle.
- No cut out areas on the head or foot board so baby's head cannot get trapped.
- A mattress support that does not pull apart from the corner posts so that baby cannot get trapped between the mattress and the crib.
- No peeling paint to prevent lead poisoning and no splinters or rough edges.
- If a crib does not meet these safety guidelines, it should be thrown out and replaced with a safe crib.

Frequently asked questions about the Internet

Just what is the Internet?

It's the name given to all the computer networks that are linked up throughout the whole world. On this network are millions of pages of information on research, education, entertainment, news, stock market, weather, government, sports, travel and much, much more. There are world-wide discussion forums that you can join in on about any topic imaginable—from hobbies to business to recreation, etc. Students can obtain information for class projects; children (of all ages) can play games; doctors, investment brokers, real estate agents and others can use it to get or exchange information about their professions; businesses can highlight or sell their products or services.

For example, through the World Wide Web, you can "visit" the Michigan Historical Center and take mini-tours of galleries, read from the journals of early settlers and see the original Michigan Constitution, according to Secretary of State Candice Miller. Or you can "travel"

to the Vatican, browse through papal speeches and send messages on the "popenet."

You can also send electronic mail (E-mail) to anyone else in the world who is also on-line. And that's just the beginning.

What equipment do I need?

All you need is a 386 or faster computer, a phone line and a 28.8 modem that connects your computer to the phone line. Keep in mind that Internet connectivity is through phone lines, so if you do not have a second line, you will tie up your existing phone line while you're using the Internet.

Can anyone get Internet if they have the right equipment?

Yes, but it also depends on where you live and whether you want to pay long-distance charges. For example, anyone can subscribe to one of the major providers like America OnLine, CompuServe or AT&T. But if you live in outlying areas, you may have to dial-in via a long-distance call in order to gain access to the Internet. Freeway offers local dialing to the world.

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I hear there's a lot of junk on the Internet and even pornography. How can I protect my children from that?

A good way to look at the Internet is to liken it to a large city. While there are unseemly areas, there are also areas that offer much opportunity for education, entertainment and knowledge like libraries, museums, theaters, etc. Pornography on the Internet is against the law. It is not all that easy to get to because the parties who put it on must disguise its trail. Parents have passed along tips on how they monitor their children's cyberspace journeys:

- Place the computer in a well-traveled area, not in the child's room.
- Make unannounced visits to the computer when the child is using it.
- Buy a software package such as Cyber Patrol, which blocks out access when key words are entered.
- Monitor as you do TV viewing.

I'm a computer dummy. Will I be able to surf the 'net'?

The Internet, like any new technology, takes time to learn. Once you know how to use it, you'll be able to get to the information you want faster. Freeway offers classes to help you become familiar with this new communication and information tool.

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Vike ball teams lose to Kalkaska Blazers



The Grayling Vikings varsity boys baseball and girls softball teams lost close games to Kalkaska in diamond action last week.

The scores of the baseball games were 7-5 and 6-3. Softball scores were 10-0 and 4-1. The season record for the Viking baseball team is 4-6 with the softball team currently at 3-7.

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Hunting & Fishing Weekly Update

Mother's Day is coming up fast and it's still cold.

No more mushrooms to speak about, but we hope soon. Some of the trout fishermen did alright over the weekend, fishing with bait. The Manistee continues to be the hot area, but I heard some good reports from the upper AuSable near Frederic. I heard some rumors of Hendrickson and Blackstone flies hatching on some of the rivers, so this should come on fast now. The turkey hunters are still talking to the gobblers, but in general they won't seem to come, although we have had a few big toms in with 10 1/2 - or - 11 inch beards. The smelt are running some, but very spotty.

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OUTSTANDING DEFENSE — Nikki Osga has played outstanding defense for the Viking softball team this season while playing shortstop, second base and pitcher. Osga presently has a .882 fielding percentage on the year.



TOP PITCHER — Jason Thompson (R) is the Viking's top pitcher and catcher this season. He has won two games on the mound and is sporting a .450 batting average with two home runs.

STELLAR SEASON — Andy Perrin (L) is having a stellar season at the plate batting .540 with five doubles and one home run. Perrin has also been a versatile fielder playing catcher, pitcher and center field for the Vikings.

Welcome to the 1996 Kirtland's Warbler Festival

"A Celebration of Nature"

Thursday, May 16 through Sunday, May 19

at Kirtland Community College 10775 N. St. Helen Road, Roscommon
and at selected sites in Roscommon, Crawford, Oscoda and Ogemaw Counties

"A Celebration of Nature," reflects the expanded scope of this year's Festival, which includes not only activities centered on the northern nesting sites of the Kirtland's Warbler, but the entire Jack Pine ecosystem.

Kirtland Community College is the focal point for the Festival which includes tours, bird watching hikes, a wildlife juried art show, a canoe trip, a tour of a fish hatchery, a crafts show, a Children's Corner, the Ogemaw Heights High School Band and Choir, an evening owl walk,

the Inside-Outside Music & Dance Company, a fly fishing demonstration, scores of presentations and seminars on black bears, ospreys, loons, bobcats, wild flowers, bats, snakes, the Michigan gray wolf, and much more.

Nationally recognized artist **Catherine McClung** is the featured artist for the Festival.

Writers and poets **Keith Taylor, Judith Kerman** and **Michael Delp** will perform. More than twenty nature experts will make presentations.

A variety of arts, crafts and outdoor life vendors will have their work on display throughout the Festival.

A special Festival Stamp cancellation service will be on the Kirtland campus on Saturday, May 18.

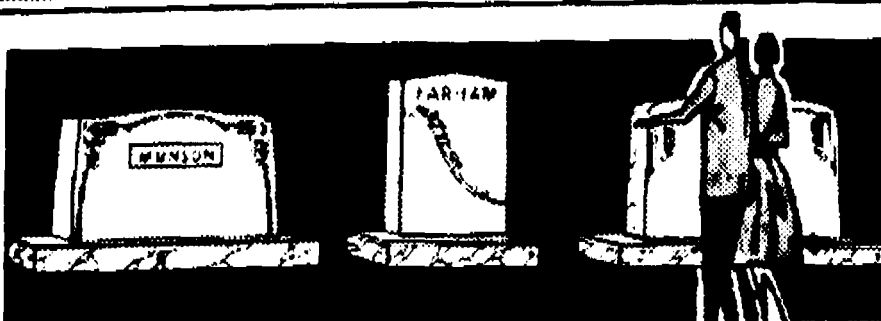
While many activities are free, a **Festival Button** is required for admittance to the Kirtland campus.

Festival Buttons are available on campus: Adults \$5; Children (12 and under) \$3; Family \$10.

For more information about the Festival contact Kirtland Community College, (517) 275-5121 ext. 347.

The Festival is sponsored in part by 'Partners in Protecting the Jack Pine Ecosystem,' the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, C.O.O.R., Michigan State University Extension, the U.S. Forest Service, the U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service, area Chambers of Commerce, business and education leaders, several very generous corporate contributors and the residents of Roscommon, Crawford, Oscoda and Ogemaw counties.

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PUBLIC AUCTION SALE STATE LAND

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to the provisions of Section 131 of Act 206, P. A. 1893, as amended, state lands in Crawford County will be placed on the market by offering same for sale at public auction on June 19, 1996, at 10 am at the Holiday Inn-Houghton Lake, 9285 M-55, Houghton Lake, Michigan. BIDDER REGISTRATION at 9 am.

The right is reserved by the State of Michigan to reject any or all bids.

Lists of property to be offered are available at the County Treasurer's Office and Real Estate Division, Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 30448, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7948. Phone: 517/373-1250.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
REAL ESTATE DIVISION



WHAT A WHOPPER — Andrew Wyman of Grayling, proudly shows off the 17 inch Rainbow Trout he caught on opening day of Trout Season. Wyman is the son of Becky and Ron Wyman. The trout put up a fiesty battle before he pulled it out of the kid's designated fishing area of the AuSable River behind Mercy Hospital. Kneeling behind Wyman in the photo above is his father, Ron.



NEED GREAT BATTERS (AND SWEEPERS TOO) — Millikin Field is hosting Field Clean-up Days on May 18 and May 25, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Parents, coaches and supporters are encouraged to come and help. The league is redoing the outfield fences where the signs are. Please bring hammers, screw guns and other construction tools. Pictured above is Richard Niederer following through after a successful swing.



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Viking tennis team in first matches

The Grayling Viking tennis team has had the unfortunate problem of having more games than practices do to the unseasonably cold weather.

The lack of practice for the rookie team has made it hard to teach the basics and techniques of the sport, said Coach Tom Mills.

"The weather has not been very conducive to our practicing," said Mills. "It's very difficult, match-in and match-out, to know that you are probably going to be beaten. I'm very proud of our team. The program has made some of the kids excited about playing. We are already looking forward to next year."

Last week's matches against Charlevoix were cancelled during the meet.

The day had started nice, but rain and finally sleet and hail forced the cancellation halfway through the matches.

The team lost to Alpena on Friday, 0-7. On Monday, the team faced off against Harbor Springs. The team will travel to Traverse City on Wednesday.

Friday, the Vikings will take the court in Boyne City at the conference meet.

Thursday golf league to begin

Golfing will begin Thursday, May 23. First day will be a fun day. Be there at 3:30 p.m., so there will be time to sign everyone up and assign holes.

Anyone that would like to join, contact either Sherry Hanson at 348-9564, or Fran Shires at 348-8398.



St. Jude Bike-a-Thon Saturday, May 18

St. Jude's annual Bike-a-thon is scheduled for Saturday, May 18, from 3-6 p.m. Pledge forms can be picked up anytime from the Crawford County Sheriff Department. Jonnie Malone can answer any questions at 348-2137.

In the event of rain, the bike-a-thon will be held Saturday, May 25, from 3-6 p.m.

MOTHER'S DAY SPECIAL -- Heritage Baptist Church will celebrate Mother's Day, May 12, with the New Melodaires from Charlotte. Phil, Shirley, Eric and Brent Bandy (pictured above) bring their love for the Lord Jesus Christ and great gospel music to Grayling once more. They will join the congregation for Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. and the morning worship service at 11 a.m. A potluck dinner will follow the morning service. The public is invited to attend.



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AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY - MICHIGAN DIVISION

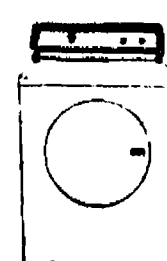
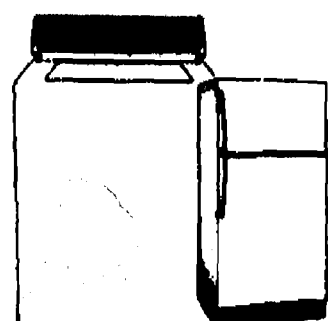
City Environmental Services, Inc. Of Northern Michigan

Attention City of Grayling residents:
City Environmental will be conducting the spring cleanup day on Saturday, May 18, 1996

Cleanup Day Guidelines

- All items must be at curbside by midnight the night before cleanup day. Collection will start at 6 am on the day of the cleanup. Items not at curbside will be the responsibility of the owner for proper disposal. Drivers will not wait for items to be brought to curbside.
- Bulky items that will be accepted for pick up include appliances, furniture, hot water heaters and tires.
- Refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners must be tagged as being freon-free by a certified and licensed company. To make arrangements to have freon removed from these appliances, please consult your yellow pages under refrigeration or contact Abel Auto at (517) 348-2864 or Refrigerant Recyclers at (517) 348-4605.
- Latex paint cans are acceptable. Please remove lids and let them dry out for a period (at least one week) prior to collecting day. Cans containing free liquids will not be accepted (kitty litter may be used to absorb small quantities remaining in the bottom).
- Building materials and siding should be cut into 4-foot lengths and bundled.
- Swing sets must be disassembled and bundled.
- Small items must be boxed or bagged and light enough to be lifted easily by one person.

Items that will not be picked up include yard waste, acids, household chemicals, batteries, fuel tanks, antifreeze, motor oil and hazardous materials.



If you have any questions, please contact our office at 1-800-968-0237

Fifty ways for you to celebrate Michigan Week, May 18-17



MICHIGAN WEEK
MAY 18-27, 1996

1. Pick up a fishing guidebook from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. And, go catch a fish!
2. Take a child to a historical site, within 10 miles of your home.

3. If you can't find a child, go by yourself. Take pictures.
4. Buy a new license plate for \$5 at your local Secretary of State office commemorating the 100th anniversary of Michigan's automotive industry.
5. Go to at least one parade of festival.
6. Ask a library genealogist to assist you in tracking your ancestry back at least one more generation than you are positive of now.
7. Write down your lineage as far as you know it and present it as a gift to someone in the younger generation.
8. Prepare a compilation of family recipes and share the results. Include historical information and tidbits.
9. Volunteer to visit a classroom to share your cultural heritage.

10. Put together a 1996 time capsule. Bury it in a glass jar in the back yard. Leave yourself a note.
11. Put together a tour of your neighborhood or city for an out-of-town visitor.
12. Volunteer to be a museum guide, rehab a historic site or clean up a park or playground.
13. Gather historic flower or vegetable seeds. Seed area roadsides with native wildflowers.
14. Have a picnic, even if it is in your living room. Invite a friend.
15. Tape reminiscences of older friends for play on local radio stations or for classroom use. Prepare a written history and make a presentation.
16. Develop a church history.
17. Join a class to try a traditional craft that has been of interest to you—

- making baskets, quilting, woodworking, weaving.
18. Stay overnight in a historic bed and breakfast. Take a sunrise walk.
19. Try an old-fashioned recipe that requires more than six ingredients.
20. Organize a hay ride. Invite a child.
21. Pick your own apples and make an old-fashioned pie.
22. Take a canoe trip down a local river.
23. Share a craft or skill with a local youth group. Show off! Serve as a mentor for a youth who shows particular interest.
24. Take a trip to a historical inn or restaurant in another part of the state. Try something new.
25. Organize family photographs. Set out framed pictures.
26. Browse through the Michigan section of a local book store.
27. Put an anonymous note in someone's mail box admiring their decorating, yard work or unique style.
28. Do rubbings of historic tombstones in a community cemetery for display in the public library.
29. Show your pride! Buy an organizational or veteran's license plate from the Secretary of State.
30. Be part of honoring volunteers in your community.
31. Tutor someone interested in

- taking their citizenship test. Michigan history is a rich resource.
32. Go through closets, basement, attic and garage to find unused items of interest to youth craft groups, women's shelters, the local library or museum.
33. Read a novel by a Michigan author.
34. Mellow out to a little Aretha Franklin.
35. Go to at least one antique auto show, steam show or re-enactment.
36. Try a new craft such as painting eggs using natural dyes—no crayons allowed! Learn with a child how to make lye soap, paper or churn butter.
37. Look at grocery store labels. Michigan is number one in the nation in a number of products, can you name them? Did you know celery was "invented" in Michigan?
38. Take a Michigan lighthouse tour. Or, collect the U.S. Postal Service lighthouse stamps.
39. Be a tourist in your own town. Take your camper and record architecture and people.

40. Visit Michigan's Capitol. At the same time, you can tour the Michigan Historical Center.
41. Do you know what Michigan's state flower, bird and stone are? Try to find an example of each.
42. Tour an auto manufacturing, food or milk processing plant. Some offer free samples!
43. Buy Michigan postcards and send them to friends to stay in touch.
44. Nominate someone for a Community Service or Michigan Volunteer award.
45. Ride an old-fashioned steam train.
46. Pick your own strawberries and make homemade ice cream as a reward.
47. Write a brief diary, a few pages each night before going to bed, about what you remember when you were a child.
48. Even if you don't share it with anyone else, have your diary printed and bound as a keepsake.
49. Visit historic Greenfield Village.
50. Celebrate Michigan Week your own way, May 18-27.

DISTRICT COURT

Appearing before Judge Francis L. Walsh:

Colby Ann Bovee, 21, of Roscommon, plead guilty to the charge of Retail Fraud 2nd Degree, and was fined \$190 or 14 days. She was cited Feb. 9, 1996, by the city police.

Brian Grant Procnier, 20, of Grayling, plead guilty to the charge of Retail Fraud 2nd Degree, and was fined \$190 or 14 days. He was cited Feb. 16, 1996, by the city police.

Sandra Lynn Argue, 25, of Grayling, plead guilty to the charge of Impaired Driving, and was fined \$540 or 60 days, placed on six months probation, plus her license was suspended 90 days. She was cited Aug. 27, 1994, by the city police.

Donald Elwin Kohnert, 48, of Grayling, plead guilty to the charge of OUIL, and was fined \$640 or 60 days, ordered to pay \$150 lab fees, placed on six months probation, plus his license was suspended six months. He was cited March 17, 1996, by the city police.

Thomas Joseph Kubinac, 51, of

Frederic, plead not guilty to Count I: OUIL, and Count II: UBAL. A jury trial was held and the defendant was found not guilty. He was cited Jan. 19, 1996, by the sheriff dept.

Lloyd Douglas Fisher, 18, of Grayling, plead guilty to the charge of Possession Of Marijuana, and was fined \$340 or 30 days, ordered to pay \$150 lab fees, placed on six months probation, plus his license was suspended six months. He was cited May 10, 1995, by the sheriff dept.

William Jeffrey Torok, 34, of Frederic, plead guilty to the charge of Assault And Battery, and was fined \$240 or 30 days, and placed on 12 months probation (counseling). On motion of prosecuting attorney, original charges—I: Assault With Dangerous Weapon, II: Felony Firearm, and III: Assault With Intent To Murder were dismissed upon above plea. He was cited Nov. 22, 1995, by the sheriff dept.

Rita Marie Gammon, 24, of Frederic, demanded a preliminary exam on two counts of Welfare Fraud Over \$500. A

\$2,500 personal bond was set.

Julia Kreitner, 25, of Grayling, demanded a preliminary exam on the charge of Child Abuse 3rd Degree. A \$5,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Joshua Barret Fox, 19, of Saginaw, demanded a preliminary exam on three counts of Breaking And Entering Coin Operated Device. A \$20,000 cash bond was set.

Matthew Lloyd McGraw, 18, of Saginaw, demanded a preliminary exam on three counts of Breaking And Entering Coin Operated Device. A \$30,000 cash bond was set.

Michael Denver Potts, 18, of Saginaw, demanded a preliminary exam on three counts of Breaking And Entering Coin Operated Device. A \$30,000 cash bond was set.

Duane Edward Wilson, II, 21, of Saginaw, demanded a preliminary exam on three counts of Breaking And Entering Coin Operated Device. A \$30,000 cash bond was set.

Daman McClain, 21, was bound over to circuit court on the charge of Prisoner In Possession Of Marijuana. No bond was set as he is a state prisoner.

LEGAL ACTION

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEPT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE—Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ricky J. Lindsey, a single man to Steven B. Perry and Shirley R. Perry, husband and wife dated September 14, 1992 in Liber 348, Pages

171-179, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Five Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Eight and 00/100 (\$5,168.00) Dollars, including interest at 8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front lobby of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. o'clock on June 13, 1996.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 3, Block 2, Briak's Park, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 81 of Plats, Page 33, Crawford County records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: 4/22/96

David R. Sabin, P.C.

Steven B. Perry and Shirley R. Perry
PROPERTY ADDRESS
206 Scott Street
Grayling, MI 49738

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL
(616) 947-8559
McMann Law Office, P.C.
Attorneys for Mr. and Mrs. Perry
3347 South Airport Road West
Suite B
Traverse City, MI 49684
-9-16-23-30-6

NOTICE

BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

A Mid-Decade Census will be taken in all of Beaver Creek Township, May 6 1996, thru May 17, 1996.

Census workers will be visiting your home and will have identification badges. They will ask only the names and number of persons in your household.

If you have any questions, please call 517-275-8878, between 9 am and 2 pm.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk
Beaver Creek Township

NOTICE

Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc., is seeking proposals for the provision of the following substance abuse services in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Iosco, Kalkaska, Lake, Leelanau, Mason, Missaukee, Montmorency, Oceana, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Wexford for the year beginning October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997:

Short Term Residential Services
Long Term Residential Services
Central Diagnostic and Referral Services

Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc. is seeking proposals for the provision of the following substance services in the counties of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska and Leelanau for the year beginning October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997.

Outpatient Counseling Services
Prevention Services

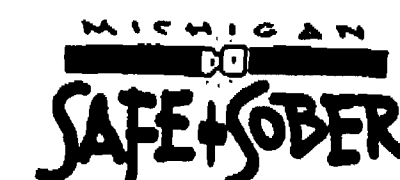
For Request for Proposal packets please contact: Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc., 1685 West M-32, Baraga Building, P.O. Box 1278, Gaylord, MI 49735, (517) 732-1791. Please verify the packet(s) you wish to receive (Residential, Outpatient and Prevention, or Central Diagnostic and Referral).

Proposals are due to Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services not later than 4 pm on May 20, 1996.

Federal and state funding has been provided to support in the project costs.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Dennis M. Pries
Executive Director



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LEGAL ACTION

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GRAYLING TOWNSHIP

The annual spring date for the disposal of used household appliances and furniture will be held at the GRAYLING TRANSFER STATION on North Down River Road, Saturday, May 25, 1996, from 8 am to 1 pm.

NO COMMERCIAL APPLIANCES
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(CERTIFIED APPLIANCES MUST HAVE RECEIPT AND COPY)

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RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS Meeting held on April 15, 1996

Meeting called to order by Mayor Gohnick at 7:30 p.m. Members present: Stevens, Gohnick, Akers, Ruddy, Moshier. Members absent: None. Also in attendance: Jerry W. Morford, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, Judy Morford, Verna Meharg, City Treasurer, two students.

Moved by Stevens, supported by Ruddy that the minutes of the meeting of March 25, 1996, be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Citizens who wish to speak: None.

Communications were received and noted.
Letter to Riverview LTD.
Letter to Traverse City Record Eagle.
Thank you from Michigan National Guard.
Letter to John Pottle.
Letter to OUDA.
Letter to GPA.
Letter to Property Owner.
Letter from Housing Commission re: Police Activity.

Fire Department March 1996 Report.
M.M.L. re: Regional Meeting on May 15, 1996. Morford, Gohnick and Stevens to attend.
March 1996 Finance Report.
M.M.L. Bulletins. Item of interest,

Residency Bill.

March 19th Crawford County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes.
Old Business. None.
New Business.

Bills from Richards & Associates. (2)
Moved by Gohnick, supported by Akers to pay invoice from Richards & Associates in the amount of \$153.85 for professional services rendered regarding possible connection of city sewer to Pontiac Fiberboard. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Moved by Stevens, supported by Ruddy to pay invoice from Richards & Associates in the amount of \$1,335.86 for updating water

reliability report, review tritium testing requirements and consultation regarding fluoride pump electrical connection/controls. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.
Reports of City Manager.
Risk Management News.
Opinion Magazine. Voting through the mail.

Industrial Development Fund Meeting on Friday, April 12, 1996.
Fire Truck back from CSI.

M.M.L. Annual Convention at Mackinac Island.

Uptown District Publishing newsletter.
County Board looking for Commission on Aging Board Members.

Letter from Jack Millikin regarding septic tank disposal area south of city laagoon.
Reports of Council Members

Mr. Moshier commented on house demolition on Chestnut & Ottawa Streets to make way for a parking lot for the school.

Mr. Gohnick received letter from Elk Rapids regarding the Regional Meeting May 15th.

Adjournment.

Moved by Gohnick, supported by Stevens that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Jerry W. Morford
City Manager & City Clerk

LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF CRAWFORD AuSABLE SCHOOL DISTRICT CRAWFORD, OTSEGO AND KALKASKA COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the annual school election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 10, 1996.

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 10, 1996, IS MONDAY, MAY 13, 1996. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, MAY 13, 1996, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION.

To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office or your county city or township clerk's office. Persons planning to register with the respective county, city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the board of education.

Brian D. Banda
Secretary, Board of Education

ADDENDUM

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Regular Biennial Election of C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District, Michigan, will be held in conjunction with the Annual School Election.

ADDENDUM

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Regular Biennial Election of Kirtland Community College, Michigan, will be held in conjunction with the Annual School Election.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Crawford-AuSable Schools will receive sealed Proposals from qualified bidders for Project III - Phase I: Additions and Remodeling to Grayling and Frederic Elementary Schools for the following scopes of work:

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|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|
| - General Work | - Roofing | - Windows |
| - Metal Stud Drywall & Ceilings | - Carpet & Resilient Flooring | - Painting |
| - Plumbing/Mechanical & Controls | - Electrical | |

There will be a Pre-Bid Meeting held on Tuesday, May 7, 1996, at 10 am local time, at the Grayling Elementary School Library, 1000 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI.

Proposals may be mailed or delivered in person to Kevan Flory c/o Crawford-AuSable Schools, 1000 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738. Proposals must be received "prior" to 10 am Tuesday, May 14, 1996. Proposals will be opened publicly and read aloud in the Grayling Elementary School Library beginning at approximately 10:15 am. All Bids will be evaluated after the bid opening.

The Project will utilize separate prime contracts. All contracts for construction will be direct contracts with the Owner. Overall administration of the Project will be the responsibility of the construction Management firm, E&V, Incorporated.

The Owner will award contracts on or about May 20, 1996, to separate Contractors for separate Bid Divisions or combinations of Bid Divisions. Any Bidder, at his option, may submit a combined Proposal for any combination of Bid Divisions by offering a Combined Bid Deduct. A separate Bid must be submitted for each Bid Division included in any such combined Proposal.

All Project procedures and documents are designed to facilitate delivery of the Project through multiple prime construction contracts. The Owner's forms, rather than industry master forms, are used for all documents. Bidders shall read and review the Bidding Documents carefully, and shall familiarize themselves thoroughly with all requirements.

Requests by Contractors for inclusion as bidders shall be addressed to the Construction Manager, 1960 West Houghton Lake Drive, Houghton Lake, MI 48629, Attn: Michelle. A check in the amount of \$100.00 made payable to Crawford AuSable Schools must be submitted to G.B.K.B. Associates, 109 East Front Street, Traverse City, MI 49684, by prime bidders as a deposit for each set of plans and specifications, same to be refunded to bidders submitting proposals and returning plans and specifications, to E&V, Incorporated, 306 Plum Street, Grayling, MI 49738, within 10 days of the bid opening in good condition.

Request for additional sets of Bidding Documents shall be addressed to the Construction Manager, E&V, Incorporated, 1960 West Houghton Lake Drive, Houghton Lake, MI 48629. (517) 366-9099 Attn: Michelle Hancock. A charge may be assessed for such additional sets.

Proposals shall be submitted on the Proposal Forms furnished separately by the construction Manager, and shall be completely filled in and executed in accord with the Bidding Documents.

Bid Security in the amount of five percent 5% of Base Bid(s) shall accompany each proposal.

Bids may not be withdrawn for a period of forty-five (45) days. Successful Bidders may be required to furnish Surety Bonds, as stated in the Specifications.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals, to accept other than a low Bid, and to waive informalities, irregularities and/or errors in Proposals, which they feel is in their best interest.

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USDA - FOREST SERVICE Huron - Manistee National Forests Mio Ranger District

The Mio Ranger District is inviting comments on two timber sales to create habitat for the Kirtland's warbler. The Nighthawk Timber Sale is located in T25N, R1W, Section 23 and T25N, R1E, Section 28. The Robowarbler Sale is located in T25N, R1W, Section 24 and T25N, R1E, Section 29. These projects would involve harvesting approximately 578 acres of jack pine and thinning 60 acres of red pine. The areas would be planted to jack pine when harvest is complete. Approximately one mile of ATV trail would be relocated to the east of Meridian Rd.

Please send comments by June 3, 1996, to U.S.D.A. Forest Service, 401 Court Street, Mio, MI 48847. For more information, please contact Sandy Caveney or Phil Huber at 517-826-3252.

NOTICE

Frederic Township Volunteer Fire Department

SURPLUS ITEMS TO BE SOLD at public auction to be held in front of the Frederic Township Fire Department on Wednesday, May 15 at 6 pm.

- 4 - Low band mobile radios - 3 are Motorola, 1 is a Midland
- 1 - 4" Hale water pump powered by a V4 cylinder Wisconsin gas engine.
- 1 - 5000 watt generator powered by a 4-cylinder flat head Continental gas engine.

All items to be sold as is.

For further information, please contact Chief Dennis Wallace, Frederic Township Volunteer Fire Department, County Road 612 West, next to Town Hall.

Frederic Township Volunteer Fire Department reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

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NOTICE

THE ROAD COMMISSION FOR CRAWFORD COUNTY 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648 Grayling Michigan 49738 (517) 348-2281

The Road Commission For Crawford County will accept sealed bids at their office, 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, Michigan 49738, until 10 am local time, May 16, 1996, for furnishing the following:

SKIP PATCHING

Bid specs may be picked up at the office or contact Judy Boyd at 517-348-2281.

BIDS MUST BE IN A SEALED ENVELOPE PLAINLY MARKED ON THE OUTSIDE AS TO THE ITEM BEING BID. The road commission reserves the right to waive any irregularities in any bids, to reject any or all bids, and to accept bids, which in their opinion, are in the best interest of The Road Commission For Crawford County.

By: James Briney, Managing Director of
The Road Commission For Crawford County
ROBERT NESLON, Chairman
KENNETH CHAPP, Vice Chairman
RAYMOND SWIERCZ, Member

NOTE: Bid openings will begin at 10:30 am, Thursday, May 16, 1996, in the board room of the road commission.

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GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Please be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on May 20, 1996, at 7 pm in the Township Office, 2090 Viking Way (M-72W) to hear the following cases:

Case #96-8: Charles F. Talbot, Jr., petitioner.
T26N, R4W, Sec. 8. Portage Lake Park Sub., Block 3, Lots 20-29.
10189 Beech Terrace. R-2 Zone.

A request to construct a 29' x 17' addition to the front of an existing residence. Closest point of new construction 10' to the front lot line, a variance of 20'.

Case #96-9: Joseph W. Thompson, petitioner.
T26N, R2W, Sec. 13. S389 Henderson Lodge Road.
NRD Zone.

A request to construct a 28' x 34' detached accessory building. Closest point of new construction 86' to the river, a variance of 107.5' (includes 6.5' rise in bank).

Case #96-10: Michael A. Clark, petitioner.
T26N, R2W, Sec. 5. Lot #8 AuSable Pines Sub.
Michelson Drive.
NRD Zone.

A request to construct (1) a 24' x 36' residence with two decks. Closest point of construction 170' from the river, a variance of 29' (includes 1' rise in bank), 30' from the west side lot line, a variance of 10' and 22.5' from the east side lot line, a variance of 17.5'.
(2) Construct a 24' x 24' detached accessory building behind proposed residence and 25' from the east side lot line, a variance of 5'.

Tentative text and zoning maps may be examined at the Township Office during regular business hours.

Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Telephone: (517) 348-4361.

Monica Ashton
Township Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD CLAIMS NOTICE Independent Probate

File No. 96-005534-IB
Estate of Edwin Alvin Sullivan, 372-24-6998.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following.

The decedent, whose last known address was 2824 S. Horseshoe Tr., Rt. 2, Grayling, Michigan 49738, died 3/3/96.

An instrument dated March 20, 1987, has been admitted as the will of the decedent.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Jack Sullivan, 2450 S. Lapeer Rd., Lapeer, MI 48446, or to both the independent personal representative and the Crawford County Probate Court, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling Michigan 49738, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.

Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

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MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Real Estate Mortgage, Assignment of Rent and Security Agreement made by Mackinac Island Development Company, a Michigan limited partnership, of Mackinac Island, Michigan, Mortgagee, to Mortgage Corporation of America, a Michigan corporation, of Southfield, Oakland County, Michigan, Mortgagee, dated the 30th day of June, 1994, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 12th day of July, 1994, in Liber 380 of Crawford County Records, on page 129-134, on which said mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Two Hundred Twelve Thousand Eight Hundred and 87/100 Dollars (\$212,018.87).

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, Therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of June, 1996, at 10 o'clock AM local time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front lobby of the Court House Building in Grayling, MI, of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at fourteen per cent (14%) per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Grayling in the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:
That part of the W 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 11, T26N, R3W, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Beginning at the N 1/4 corner of said Section 11; thence along the North Section line N89 degrees 39 minutes 00 seconds E 290.02 feet; thence S 01 degrees 13 minutes 30 seconds W 1876.0 feet to the Northernly bank of the AuSable River; thence along said River; S65 degrees 29 minutes 30 seconds W 85.9 feet; S 43 degrees 17 minutes 30 seconds W 71.0 feet; S 87 degrees 10 minutes 00 seconds W 85.0 feet and N 65 degrees 21 minutes 00 seconds W 88.0 feet to the N & S 1/4 line of said Section 11; thence along said N & S 1/4 line, N 01 degrees 14 minutes 00 seconds E 1928.7 feet to the place of beginning; commonly known as 1491 Richardson Road, Grayling, Michigan 49738; Tax Identification No. 20-041-011-003-100-00.

During the twelve (12) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during the 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated at Detroit, Michigan, April 22, 1996
Mortgage Corporation of America,
Mortgagee

Randall T. LeVasseur (P41712)
Attorney for Mortgagee
P.O. Box 24021
Detroit, MI 48224
(313) 886-5555

-2-9-16-23-30

FACTS AND FEATURES

YOUR HOROSCOPE

Forecast For: May 12 - 18, 1996

- ARIES** A sudden move could lead to painful results. Be wary of those with good intentions.
March 21-April 19
- TAURUS** Ignore those with irritating mood swings. Keep abreast of recent changes and go with the flow.
April 20-May 20
- GEMINI** You may be over-reacting to an insignificant event. Examine your motives and your intentions.
May 21-June 20
- CANCER** A special meeting may require an over-night arrangement. Plan to share your space.
June 21-July 22
- LEO** Tend to gardening and other outdoor chores. Spruce up your property and invest in the future.
July 23-Aug 22
- VIRGO** Your financial destiny may not be as bleak as you suspect. Take advice from an expert and follow your intuition.
Aug 23-Sept 22
- LIBRA** Don't try to be a matchmaker. Your efforts will not be appreciated. Let others find their own way.
Sept 23-Oct 22
- SCORPIO** Don't be put off by an intellectually oriented individual. Your thoughts and ideas are just as important.
Oct 23-Nov 21
- SAGITTARIUS** An ill feeling should be tended to immediately. Seek help from a qualified professional.
Nov 22-Dec 21
- CAPRICORN** An older friend is anxious to give advice. Listen carefully...it may be worth more than you think!
Dec 22-Jan 19
- AQUARIUS** Good news is delivered, this week. Share your happiness with those you love. Enjoy your good fortune.
Jan 20-Feb 18
- PISCES** Going overboard on a shopping expedition may be hazardous to your pocket-book...and your marriage!
Feb 19-March 20



SPITZ NEEDS A HOME—This male spitz appears to be 1-2 years old. He is housebroken and very friendly. If you would like to give him a home, or any of the other animals at the shelter, stop by the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, or give them a call at 348-4117.

PET CARE TIPS

The basic grooming tool for your dog is a wire slicker brush to remove loose hairs and work out snarls, says the National Humane Education Society. For a long-haired dog, use a comb with widely-spaced, blunt teeth and a brush with long, stiff bristles. For a short-haired dog, use a short-bristled brush or a mitt made for grooming. Wire-haired breeds require a stripping knife.

WEEKEND CROSSWORD

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWERS

- ACROSS**
- Dogie
 - Pie, 2 wds.
 - Snoop
 - Informed
 - Thing, in law
 - Richard
 - Station
 - Heading
 - Idiot, sl.
 - City on the Dnieper
 - Surpassed
 - Stop
 - Sesame
 - Before
 - Cease
 - Ultimate, abbr.
 - Cults
 - Anger
 - Star in Fridanus
 - Scrap
 - Suffix, denoting origin
 - Carrying a weapon
 - Desires
 - Distant
 - Assam silkworm
 - Young cats
 - Rims
 - Victorfish
 - Rodent
 - Intelligence
- DOWN**
- Boulder
 - Reverence
 - Overlie
 - Behavior
 - Curve
 - Shakespearean king
 - Savory meat jelly
 - Poverty
 - Quintana, Mex. state
 - Jap money
 - Musical studies
 - Golf term, pl.
 - Wheel tread
 - Member of
- Other answers:**
- Egypt, god of setting sun
 - Years, abbr.
 - Prussian measure
 - Houston football team
 - Final offer
 - Lure
 - Kinds
 - Foil
 - Large musical instrument
 - Woody plant
 - Looks intently
 - Skillful
 - Milk producing farm
 - Codicil
 - Bring up
 - Narcotic shrub
 - Eisenhower
 - Streets, abbr.
 - Afr. animal
 - Superlative ending
 - Observe

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 years ago May 10, 1973

One of the premier events in amateur motor sports is being held in Grayling, on May 12, by the Sports Car Club of Ann Arbor. Contestants from as far away as California will be competing for top honors in the "20-stages" event, held on the rough logging roads and back trails of Crawford and Oscoda counties.

Hello Dolly the Broadway smash musical by Jerry Herman, will be presented this weekend by members of the Grayling High School Department of Vocal Music. The first performance is slated for Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. in a special showing for students of the Grayling and Frederic Elementary schools.

On April 16, Mrs. Jack Rasmussen, accompanied by her son Jason and nephew Jeff Hamer, left Metro Airport on the new 747 airplane for Los Angeles, where they were met by Jason's aunt, Mrs. Maude Aberely. They stayed with them for two days and then were picked up by both boys' aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Campbell and daughters Jayme and Joni.

Tricia Christian, a junior at Central Michigan University, is cast as Muffin the miller's daughter in the university theatre production of *Rumpelstiltskin*, scheduled for May 4-5 at 8 p.m. in the Fred R. Bush Theatre on the CMU campus. Tricia is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Christian of Grayling.

Keith and Joy Bobenmoyer, along with Deldna and Richard Adaniak of New Jersey, left for a week in Orlando, Florida, where they camped out. They visited Disney World and other points of interest.

A daughter, Kimberly Sue, was born on May 2, to Mr. and Mrs. Gary McClain of Grayling. She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces.

Kristy Jo is the newest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Reichelderfer of Grayling. She was born May 4, and weighed in at 5 pounds, 8 1/2 ounces.

Bob's Drive Inn is offering, for 5 days only, Herrud chili dogs, three for 99¢.

The Grayling JVs lost an 11-4 decision to the Kalkaska JVs, and rainy weather helped Kalkaska walk away. Leading 4-2 after four innings, the pitching fell apart, allowing three runs in each of the final three innings.

Charles McNally, past chairman of the petunia fund, wishes to express his appreciation to everyone that has helped him the past few years and regrets that due to lack of interest, the petunia fund planting is being dropped.

46 years ago May 11, 1950

Barbara Jean Nelson and Sue Margaret Giegling have the honor of leading the 1950 graduating class of Grayling High School. Valedictorian Barbara Nelson is the daughter of Anthony J. Nelson of Grayling, and salutatorian, Sue Giegling is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Giegling. Other students who have done outstanding work include Victor Papendick, Christine Sales, Nancy Hoesli, Glenna Parker, Jack Trudeau and Marlene Jensen.

Work was started Monday at the Davis Jewelry Store to bring it down to street level. There will also be a 10 x 22 ft. addition made in back to use for storage and a furnace. Work is to start this week at Dawsons. A new brick wall between the store and Davis Jewelry is to be installed as well as a new front and sign, and the front portion of the interior is to be widened. The Kennedy Flower Shop has been moved from Peninsular to the building recently remodeled by Herluf Sorenson and formerly occupied by the State Liquor Store. Ralph's Furniture Shop has moved from their location in the Duncan building on Norway and is also occupying part of the Sorenson building.

A severe windstorm, which struck Grayling and vicinity Friday evening and continued through Saturday, caused quite some damage in the area. Many trees were broken off and topped. Roofs were badly damaged. A garage owned by Harvey Rowland west of Grayling, and a barn owned by Charles Corwin, were completely demolished. Rural electric lines were knocked out by the wind and telephone service was affected for a short time Saturday morning.

The Grayling High School gym was resplendent in decorations carrying out a spring garden motif when the junior class held their annual prom Saturday evening. Music was furnished by the Music Makers of Traverse City.

On Monday, May 15, the U.S. Savings Bond Independence Drive opens throughout the nation continuing through the 4th of July. Its symbol is the Liberty Bell, encircled by the campaign theme: "Save for our Independence—Buy U.S. Savings Bonds."

Mrs. Bessie Kellogg visited her daughter, Mrs. Larry Loftus and family in Saginaw this weekend, and will attend the first communion service of her grandson Mike.

F. Wood is improving his store by adding a new cement block addition

on the rear of the building.

The neighborhood had quite a scare on Sunday, when the fire alarm sounded. All hands were out and the fire didn't last long. The location was west of McMaster's Bridge.

Mrs. Bill Joseph, Mrs. Les Welch, Mrs. John Peterson, and Mrs. John Ludeman were co-hostesses at a stork shower last Wednesday, honoring Mrs. Henning Knudsen and Mrs. Les Hunter. Around 25 ladies gathered at the Ludeman home down river.

The Don Weavers have purchased the Richard Ogg cottage at Lake Margrethe.

George Morrison is enjoying a week's vacation from his duties at Spike's Keg O'Nails, and left Tuesday to visit relatives in Cadillac.

Miss Ann Holm and Miss Joan Bond were hostesses at a party at the Ernest Borchers home for 40 young people following the prom Saturday evening. Sixteen of the young people enjoyed a trip down river on Sunday.

Pfc. John Hanna arrived home from Okinawa, where he has been stationed for the last 14 months. He is spending a 30-day furlough with his family, the Rudolph Feldhausers.

A small fire called out the Grayling Fire Department to the Gulf Service Station on Saturday.

Miss Jean Finnegan was hostess at a bridal shower last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Floyd Wylie to honor Miss Ruth Whaley. There were 20 ladies present. Miss Ruth will become the bride of Edwin Funck on June 3.

69 years ago May 12, 1927

The Grayling Fire Department, with Tony Nelson elected as chief, was organized Tuesday evening, with the other appointments made: Company 1, Chief Tony Nelson; assistant chief, Ben Yoder; captain, Alvin LaChappelle; nozzlemen, George Miller, Jerry LaMotte, Carl Smith; linemen, Truman LaVack and Leo Jorgenson; hydrantman, Charlie Wilbur.

Company 2: captain, Vern Clark; nozzlemen, Neil Mathews, Roy Bova, Ben Pankow and Roy Waite; linemen, Middle LaMotte, and Ralph Chamberlain; hydrantman, Fred Brown Sr.

Esbern Hanson returned home from Harper Hospital, Detroit, Wednesday. His right arm, that was broken recently in a fall from a stepladder, is healing nicely.

Alberta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Knibbs, entertained six of her little friends Saturday afternoon, the

occasion being her sixth birthday. Games were enjoyed and contests given, the winners being Mary Rasmussen and Helen Isenhauer.

T. E. Douglas, Russell and Howard Peterson, Edgar Douglas and T. W. Hanson went to Kenosha, Wisconsin last week to drive back five new Nash cars.

Arthur Ostrander is driving a new Ford Sedan.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Nelson purchased the Fred Hanson home, formerly occupied by William Green and family.

Newton E. Warner has taken charge of the prescription work in Central Drug Store.

Mrs. Minnie Daugherty is moving into the room formerly occupied by Mrs. Hattie Collins at Shoppemagon's Inn. This is being redecorated for a beauty parlor and is surely going to look attractive.

94 years ago May 15, 1902

LOCAL WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



Date	High	Low	Precip.	Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: A 60 percent chance of light rain is likely for Wednesday, with the highs in the mid 60s. Thursday calls for a chance of showers, with the lows in the 40s, and the highs in the low to mid 60s. There is a chance of showers and thunderstorms on Friday. The highs will be 70 to 75, with the lows in the upper 40s. Saturday will be dry, with the highs in the mid to upper 50s, and the lows in the upper 30s to the low 40s.
5/1	39	35	0.04	
5/2	36	30		
5/3	58	24	0.01	
5/4	47	32	0.15	
5/5	58	28		
5/6	50	31	0.11	
5/7	61	34		

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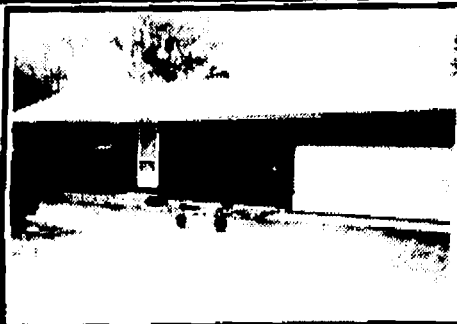
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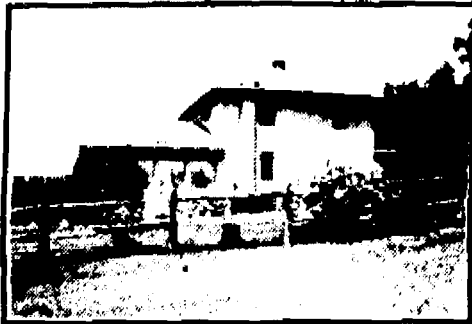
RESIDENTIAL



PRICE REDUCED - One-year-old, 3-bedroom, 2-bath modular. Great floor plan offers two full baths, garden tub, walk-in closet, fireplace in family room, island kitchen with eat-in facility, formal dining room, energy efficient 5" sidewalks and upgraded windows. Property sits directly across road from state land. \$63,000. BSO-317



3-BEDROOM CEDAR-SIDED HOME on four acres. Across the road from the AuSable Mainstream "Holy Waters." Private walking access to the river with a dock. Completely furnished. Two car garage, 8x10 storage building. \$76,000. JG-378



QUALITY COUNTRY LIVING on almost 10 acres. 2-story, restored farm house with 2,316 sq. ft., four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, 20'x40' heated pool, basketball court, 3-car garage, barn and many extras. \$119,500. KM-218



CHARMING CHALET ON BEAUTIFUL WOODED LOT - This home has three bedrooms, 1.5 baths, large eat-in kitchen with oak cabinets, large living room, 2-car attached garage, paved driveway. \$74,900. JG-311 BSO-349



SUNNYSIDE TANNING SALON Fully equipped, operating business. Features four tanning beds and one stand-up unit. Includes all supplies and equipment. \$180,000. Call me for details at Office 348-5474 or at home 348-6573.



BEAUTIFUL three bedroom, 2.5 bath, "Arrow Home" approx. 1 mile from AuSable Mainstream on paved county road. Quality home features walk-in closet, Andersen windows, formal dining room, pantry, ceramic tile kitchen, decking, vinyl/siding and 2-car garage. 2.5 acres for 76,900. BK-344



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AUSABLE LOG CABIN Rustic, romantic, secluded, near North Branch. Hal, broker. 348-5965. 4/25/96t/1

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River Country Real Estate
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1. Real Estate

AUSABLE RIVERFRONT CLAS- SIC Vacant, 200' or 400', low down payment. Hal, broker. 348-5965. 4/25/96t/1

MANISTEE RIVER secluded building site on river, electric, phone, plowed. \$24,900. 616-929-4825. LR5/9/96/1



Grayling Michigan Country Charm - Impeccable 3-bedroom brick ranch with completely finished lower-level fireplace with insert, in living room, satellite dish, natural gas, large 3-car garage, two small out buildings, includes surprise in family room. All this nestled on three beautiful, partially-wooded lots (3.2+ acres) and just a short distance to downtown Grayling. Price \$97,900.

AUCTIONWAY

930 Timberline Trail
Gaylord
Ken Freund
Associate Broker
517-732-7808



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<http://www.auctionway.com>
EMAIL: info@auctionway.com

1. Real Estate

FOR SALE Two bedroom, one bath home. Nice front porch. Close to middle school, appliances included. \$39,500. Phone 348-8926. LR5/9/96/1

TEN ACRES Bear Lake/Kalkaska, access to state land, fenced 660'x 660' for horses. Land contract terms. 517-348-7355. LR5/30/96/1

AUSABLE HOME Elegant, Hal, broker. 348-5965. 4/25/96t/1

BUILDING FOR SALE or lease. 5,000 square feet. 2410 Industrial Street, Grayling. AuSable Investments, 348-5477. 2/29/96t/1

RESIDENTIAL LOT FOR SALE Behind Sherwood Forest. Two 110 X 262 on Kimberly Court. Call 348-5477. 2/29/96t/1

NEAR MANISTEE RIVER 3.7 acres, secluded, adjoins state land, phone, electric, plowed. \$8,900. 616-929-4825. LR5/9/96/1

NEWLY BUILT three bedroom home, attached garage, 1.5+ acres, \$58,000. 348-4840. LR5/23/96/1



FLY FISHING & HUNTING PARADISE - 2,000 ft. of Manistee River frontage and 320 acres of land. One of the finest pieces of recreational property with recently remodeled cabin with new kitchen, bath, carpeting and air conditioning. Large cement block storage building with sliding door. Both units have security systems. Also included is commercial street thrower, double-sided corn crib, nine permanent deer blinds. Terrain of property includes high grounds, orchards, streams, swamp and beaver pond. Located 10 miles S. of Kalkaska and 30 minutes from Traverse City. \$475,000 with land contract terms preferred. (7-117)

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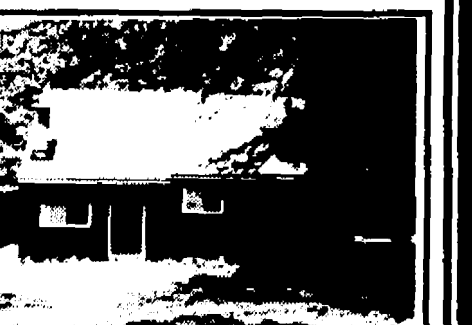
Cute, Comfortable and Affordable

Three bedroom, two bath home has much to offer, with full basement, attached garage, decks, patios, outdoor bar-b-q's, stereo system and much more! \$48,900. #3632



Spotless Clean as a Whistle

This 2-3 bedroom home features a large bathroom with double sinks, newer PVC plumbing throughout and pole barn on 2 1/2 acres. Stove, refrigerator, washer, dryer and some furnishings to stay with sale. \$28,900. #3657



Within Eye Shot of Lake Margrethe

This lovely cedar-sided, four bedroom home has two bathrooms, new oak kitchen and new carpet. Property is nicely wooded and has a garage and a large 2-story barn that is insulated and wired. \$64,900. #3660



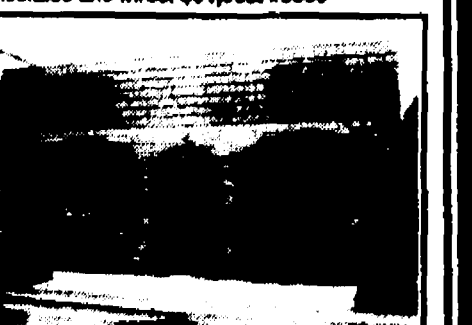
Immaculate Home on AuSable River Frontage

"Pride of Ownership" is found throughout this unique, two-story home located on the banks of the AuSable River. Offering approx. 500' of river frontage, this home offers seclusion and peacefulness. \$164,900. #3827



Great Seasonal Business

Great business located on I-75 Business Loop! Sell ice cream doing a good business, has a 22x60 building with plenty of parking. Very high traffic location, you can't go wrong with this one. \$238,900. #3611



Office Space "Uptown Grayling"

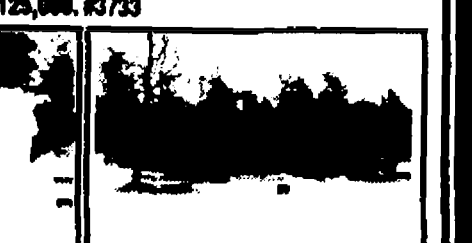
2,460 square feet of space in "Uptown" Grayling! Ideal for office or retail store front. Immediate occupancy and seller financing to qualified buyers. Don't miss this opportunity. \$125,900. #3733



Right at the edge of the AuSable River. Redwood log house with full basement, three bedrooms, two baths and attached garage. You will want to see this excellent river property. \$138,900. #3768



Three bedroom, two bath home in Maple Forest! Two living areas, a 24x32 garage, a 24x36 barn, a 10x25 pavilion, an 8x8 shed and more. Asking only \$58,900. #3807



Some major updates have been done to this bright and cheery two bedroom home. The interior has a fresh paint job, new roof in 1991, new septic in 1994, new heat in 1995 and new well pump and compression tank in 1995. Asking only \$88,900. #3636

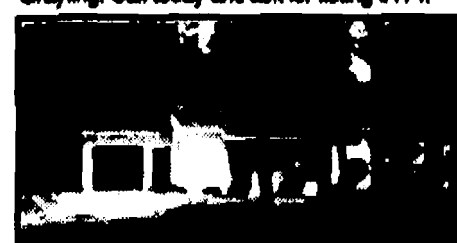
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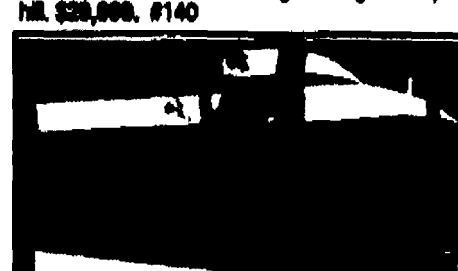
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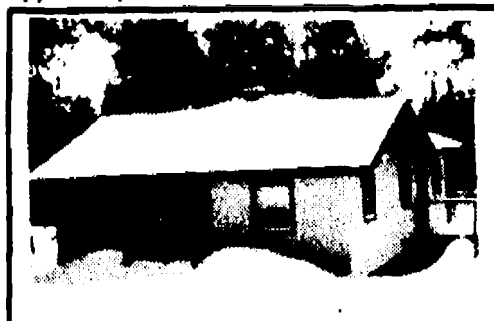
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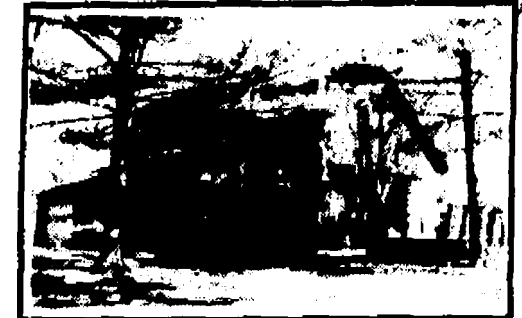
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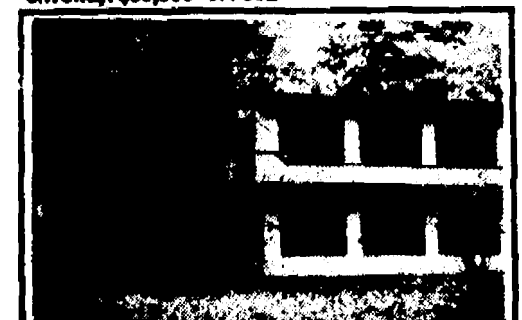
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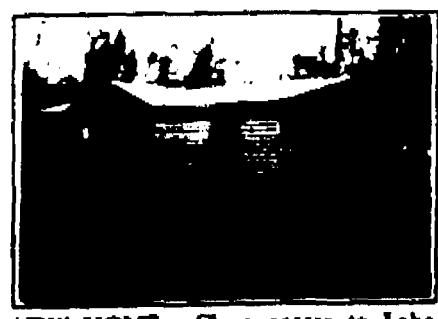
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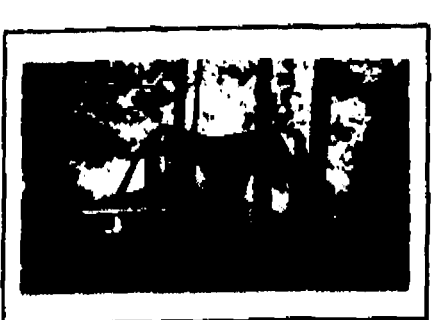
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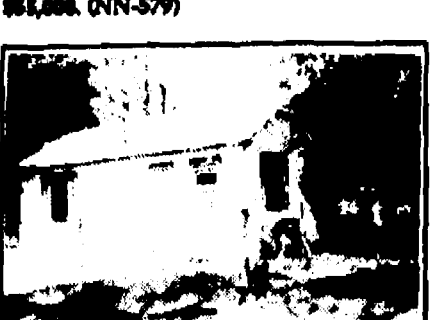
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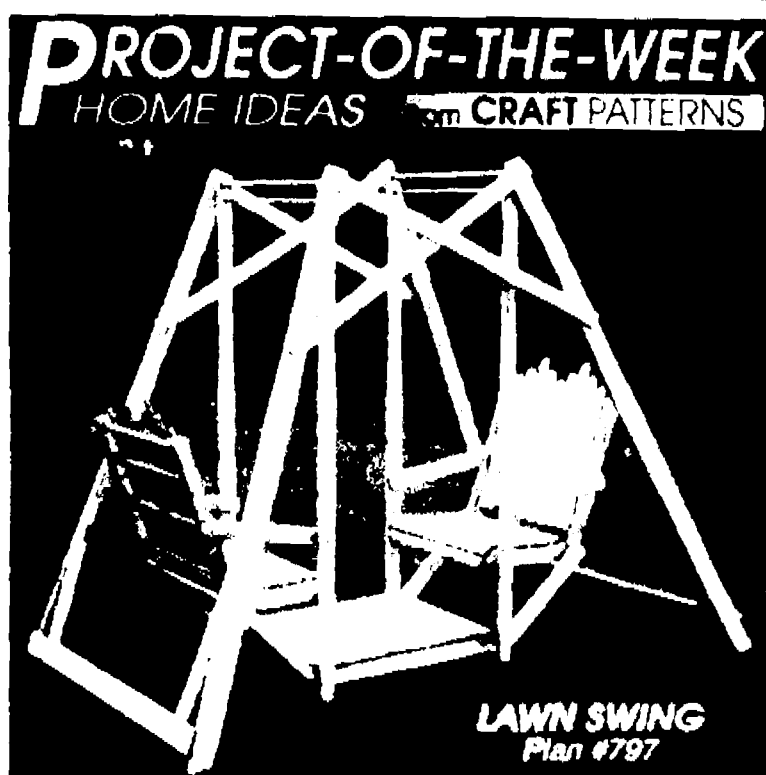
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8. Announcements

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8. Announcements

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS: Fire protection system installation - R.A. MacMullan Conference Center, Crawford County, Michigan. Sealed proposals endorsed "R.A. MacMullan Conference Center - Fire Protection System" will be received in the Department of Natural Resources, Roscommon Office, P.O. Box 128, Roscommon 48653, (517-275-5151) until 2 pm, local time, May 20, 1996, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bid documents are available for RAM Conference Center, 104 Conservation Drive, Roscommon, MI 48653, (517-821-6200). Bid security and bonds are not required for this project. Scope of project: furnish all labor, materials, and equipment to install a fire protection system in two dormitories.
-9/8

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8. Announcements

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS: Classroom window and door replacement - R.A. MacMullan Conference Center, Crawford County, Michigan. Sealed proposals endorsed "R.A. MacMullan Conference Center - Classroom window replacement" will be received in the Department of Natural Resources, Roscommon Office, P.O. Box 128, Roscommon, 48653, (517-275-5151) until 2 pm, local time, May 20, 1996, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bid documents are available from RAM Conference Center, 104 Conservation Drive, Roscommon, MI 48653, (517-821-6200). Bid security and bonds are not required for this project. Scope of project: furnish all labor, materials, and equipment to remove existing steel-framed windows and install new windows. Remove old entrance window-door assembly and replace with new.
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Kirtland commencement to be held May 10

Kirtland Community College conducts its 27th Commencement Exercises on Friday, May 10, at 7:30 p.m., in the G. I. Stewart Auditorium. More than 250 students are expected to receive their associate degrees or certificates from college officials.

Lyle Spalding, superintendent of C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District, will deliver the commencement address. The program will also feature the Ogemaw Heights High School Band, welcoming remarks by Cary Vajda, dean of student services, a message from Kirtland President Dr. Dorothy N. Franke, recognition of this year's outstanding alumnus, Matthew Jernigan, recognition of faculty and staff members, and the conferring of the degrees and granting of certificates to graduates. A reception with graduates, their families and guests will be held in the student center immediately following ceremonies.

Spalding has served as superintendent of the four-county, 2,400 square mile C.O.O.R.

Intermediate School District since 1990. The district serves more than 10,000 students in six public school districts and all non-public schools within its boundaries. From 1977 to 1990, he was superintendent of Manton Consolidated Schools in Manton. He has also held positions of secondary principal of Manton Consolidated Schools; director of Ithaca Community-School programs; teacher and coach in Ithaca, and in Flint. He earned his bachelor of science degree in education from Central Michigan University (CMU) in 1967, and his master's degree in recreation from CMU the following year. He is a graduate of many administration and leadership seminars from Michigan universities and institutions. Spalding is a member of several professional associations including the American and Michigan Associations of School Administrators. He has initiated many successful cooperative education programs with Kirtland Community College.

Jernigan is a 1982 graduate of Roscommon High School. He graduated from Kirtland Community College in 1986, with an associate in Applied Science in Automotive Technology. He continued his education at Ferris State University in Big Rapids, where he obtained a bachelor of science degree in automotive and heavy equipment technology. He is the parts manager at Don Nester Chevrolet in Roscommon. He serves on Kirtland's Automotive Advisory Council and is a Richfield Township firefighter and emergency medical technician (EMT). He and his wife, Michele, have two children, Nathan and Caleb.

Kirtland Community College, established in 1966, is celebrating its 30th anniversary. Including its 1996 graduates, it has issued almost 5,000 associate degrees or certificates during that time. It serves more than 2,500 students and area residents each year. The college currently offers 47 certificate and associate degrees.

Kirtland College offers tour of Russia

Kirtland Community College is offering four of its honors program students and up to 10 of its district residents an unprecedented opportunity to participate in a 15-day 1996 foreign study tour to Russia. The trip would begin with departure from Chicago, July 14, and conclude in Chicago July 29. The trip, which will focus on Russian art, history and culture, will include visits to Moscow, Zagorsk, St. Petersburg and other cities. Accommodations will be provided through home stays with Russian families and include three meals a day, including homemade

breakfasts and suppers with host families.

Residents who are interested in participating should attend an informational meeting on Thursday, May 16, at 6:30 p.m. in the Continuing Education Center on the Kirtland campus. The estimated cost for the trip, including air fare, fees, tours, food, accommodations, and transportation is \$2,700. Applicants should also have, or be able to obtain, a valid passport before the departure date. Applications for the trip and payment must be received by the college by Tuesday, May 28.

Among the many wonders the group will see are examples of authentic traditional and European fine arts, architecture, and crafts while touring

royal palaces and gardens in St. Petersburg, the Cathedrals of the Moscow Kremlin, the famous Tretyakov gallery, plus the largest crafts fair in Russia, and the Faberge collection of the Armory, and much more.

Tanya Puchkova, language instructor and a native of Russia, is organizing the study tour for Kirtland students and residents. "This is a most unusual opportunity," said Puchkova, "one that offers exploration of some of the most beautiful art in the world." The students and the residents who participate in the tour will also be awarded three credit hours for their colorful Russian experience. For additional information about the study tour, residents should phone Puchkova at (517) 275-5121 ext. 392.

10. Garage Sales

ESTATE SALE Thursday thru Sunday, 10-6, 221 Dale, north of North Down River Rd. Living room, dining room and kitchen furniture, some antiques. All items in excellent condition. Cash and carry.
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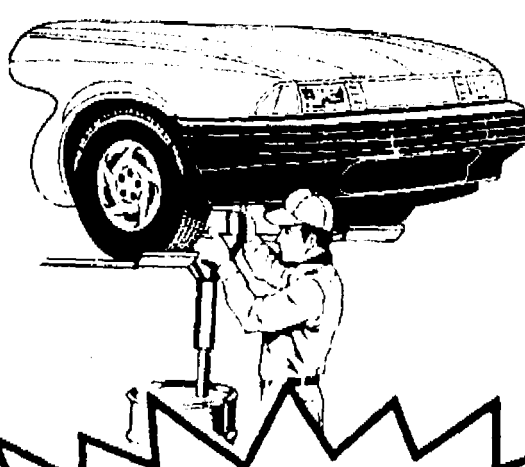
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